

University High School
Class of 2018


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Edwin Méndez
Principal

We have once again come to the end of another school year. It's been a year of challenges within our school community and outside of it. At the times when things seemed difficult, it was to you that I turned. We all carry a certain courage within us to rely upon in times of need. But when we can depend on one another to see us through the hard times we become better for it; greater because of it.

We are a greater school because of you. The students of University High School are University High School. Going forward you will no doubt fill your future with that bright spirit, that Phoenix fire that illuminated us here at University. Cherish that spirit, I have. It's the flame that lights my future as well as yours and it will always be needed and perhaps required of you. You are a Phoenix: Rise to the occasion!

God bless you-
Principal Méndez

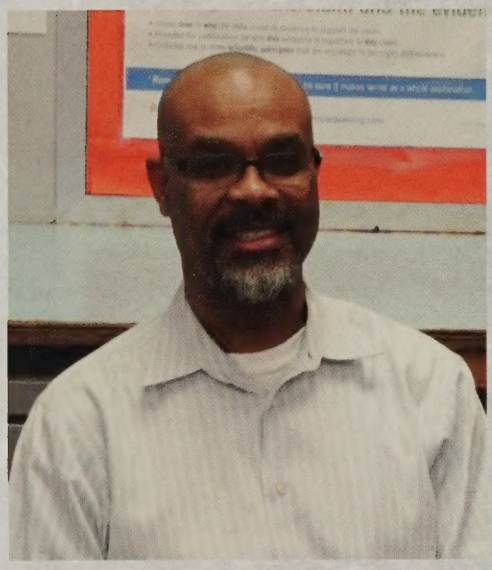
Administrative Team



Nichole Bennett
Vice Principal of
Curriculum & Instruction



Hassanah Blake
Vice Principal of
Curriculum & Instruction



Henri Frederique
Vice Principal of
Curriculum & Instruction



Pasquale Pontoriero
Vice Principal of Scheduling
and Support Services

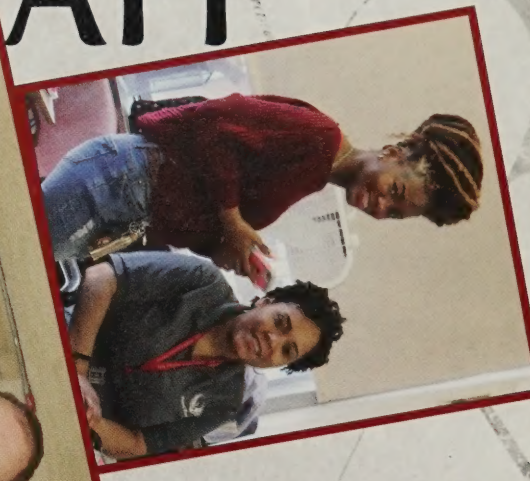
"A genuine leader is not a searcher for consensus, but a molder of consensus."
~Martin Luther King Jr.

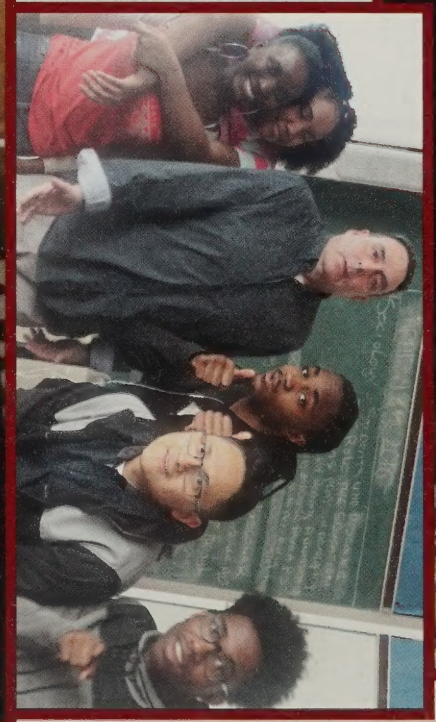
FACULTY AND STAFF











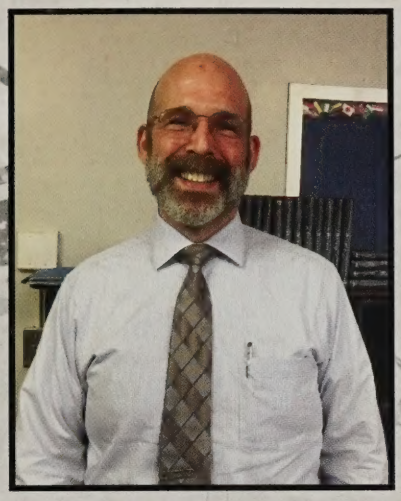




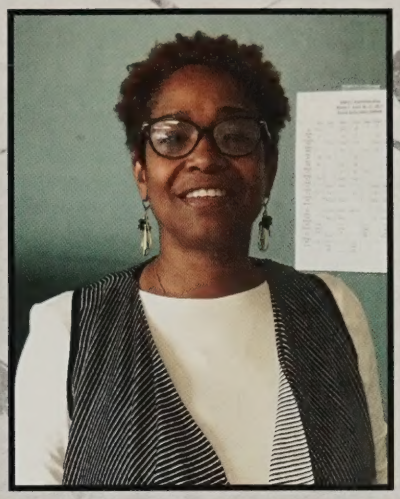
English Language Arts



Alina Dunker-Ware



Donald Fourre



Sheila Gray



Scott Hood



Roberto Inclan



Stephanie Bowles-Jones

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Susana Ruesta

"Life is to be lived, not controlled; and humanity is won by continuing to play in face of certain defeat."
~Invisible Man by Ralph Ellison~

History and Humanities



Kevin Arroyo



Pete Connolly



Stacy Coppola



Mark DeFalco



Susan Febinger



Domonique Roberts

Edoardo Mungiello
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"The calling of the humanities is to make us truly human in the best sense of the word."
~J. Irwin Miller~

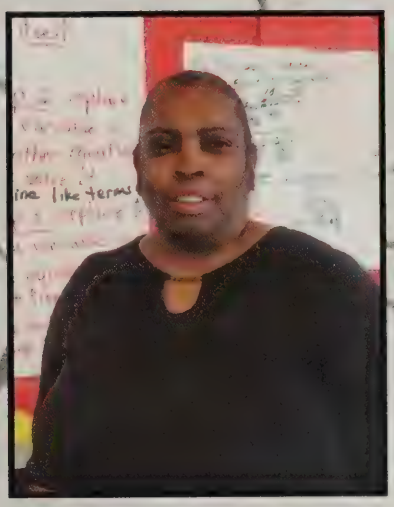
Mathematics and Technology



Kevin Currais



Amritpreet Kaur



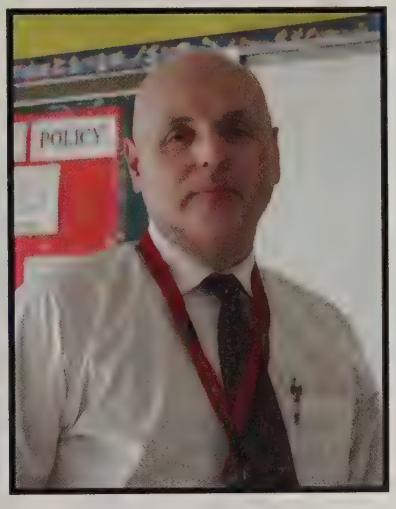
Beatrice McFarlin



Dina Mohamed

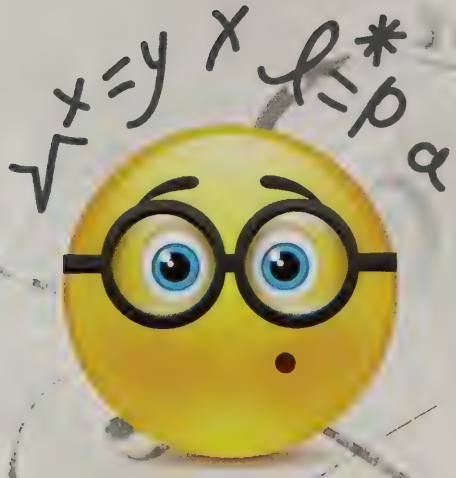


Peter Santino



Roberto Suarez

Azza Eltiwil
Moriamo Okundaye
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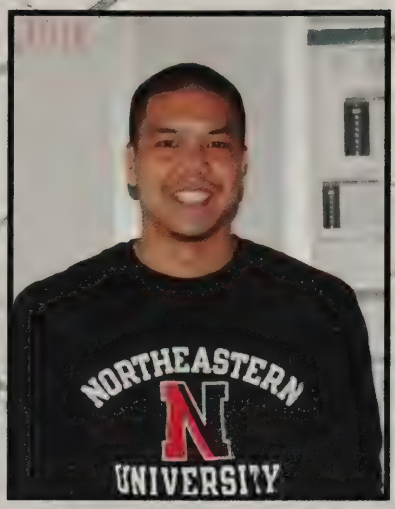




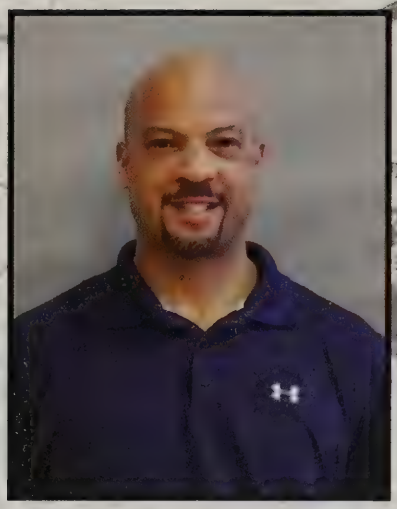
Health and Physical Education



Mary Dean



John Trieu



Kevin Ware



Victoria Wilson



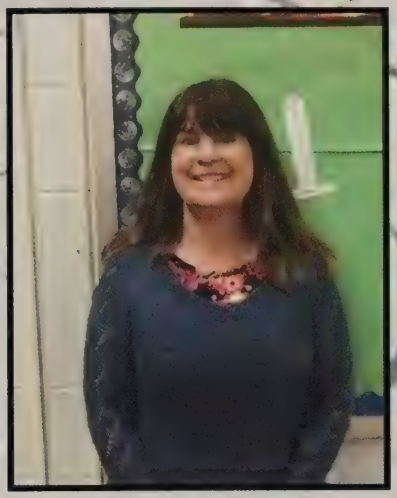


"To keep the body in good health is a duty... otherwise we shall not be able to keep our mind strong and clear."
-Buddha

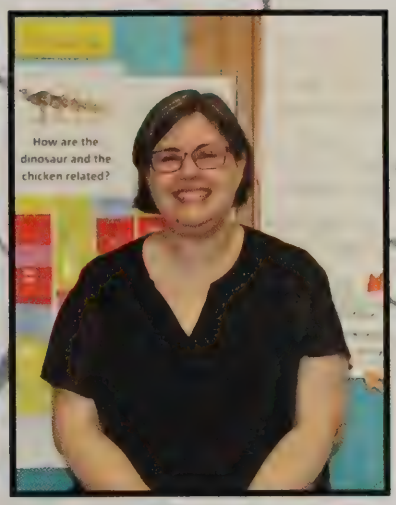
Science and World Language



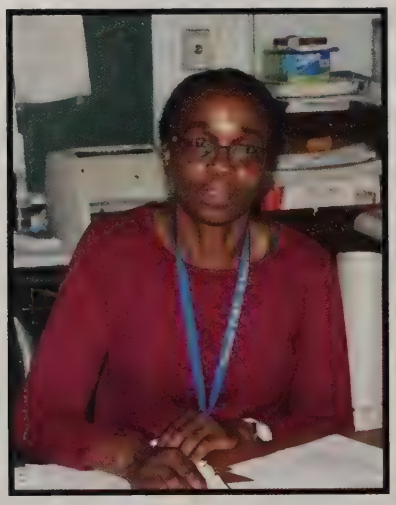
Monika Hannemann



Danielle Kelly



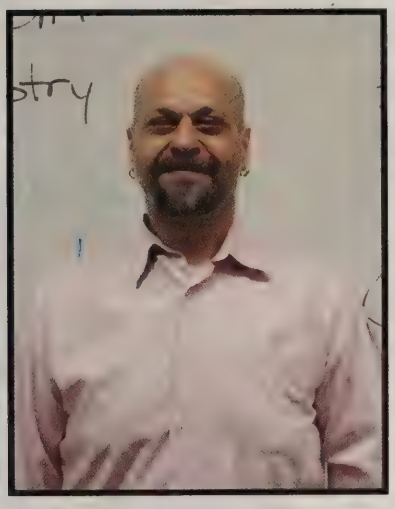
Danielle Laube



Mildred Nyawade



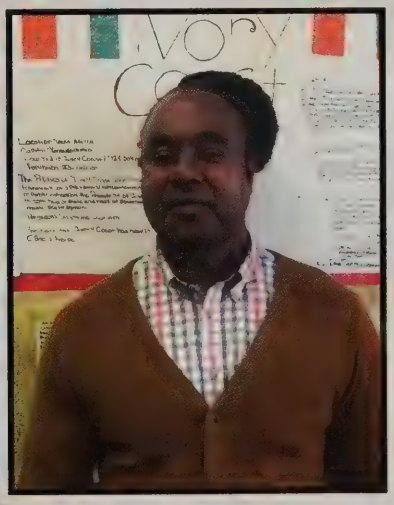
Fazal Rahimi



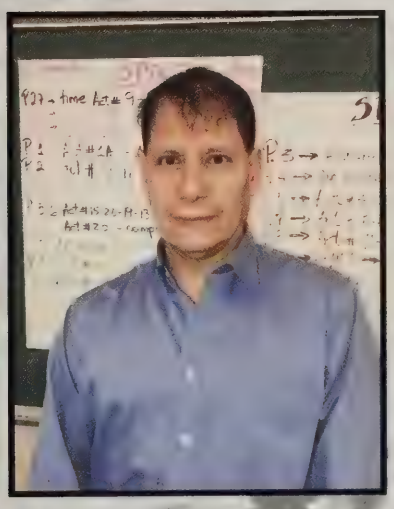
Paul Umrichin



Jessica Garcia



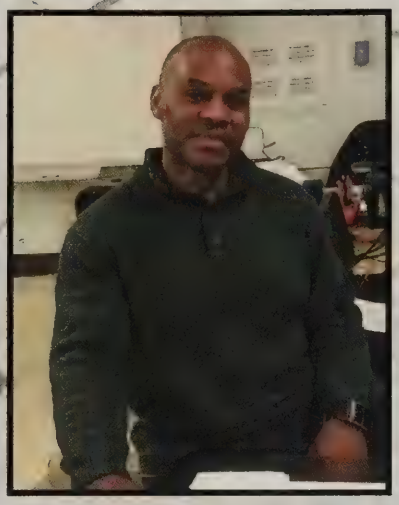
Makentorche Julien



Ritchie Rubio



Dr. Erin Berman



Joshwann Dixon



Dr. Liza Lopez



Kathleen Singh

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Stacey Graham

School Operations Assistants



Sharanda Shabazz

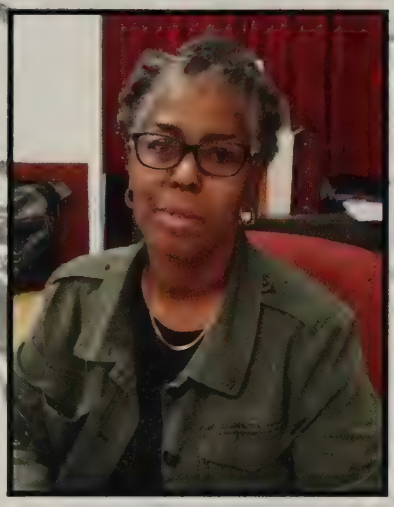


Denise Holland

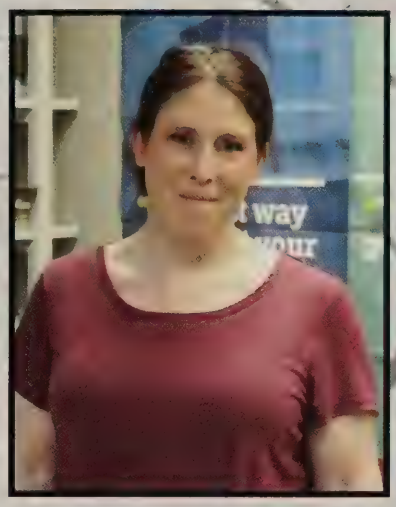


Enid Morales

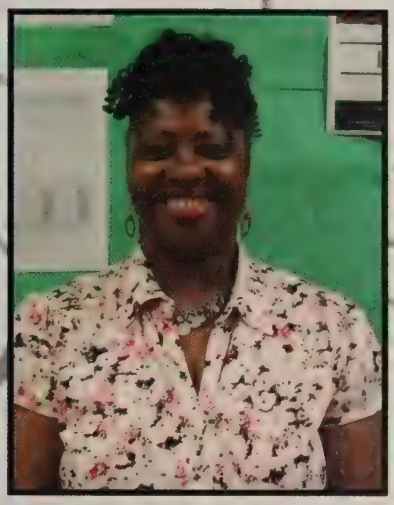
Guidance and Support Staff



Cynthia Perry
Guidance Clerk



Kristen Lara
Guidance Counselor



Monic Lockett
Guidance Counselor



Ifeoma Obaze
Guidance Counselor



Maria Peralta
Guidance Counselor



Lauren Monroe
Social Worker

Child Study Team

Stephanie Baasit
Andrea Schechter
Dr. Kalenah Witcher



Dr. Grace Beaumont
Nurse

"The work of education is divided between the teacher and the environment."
~ Maria Montessori

7th Grade Gifted and Talented

Class of 2023


OYINDAMOLA AWOYINFA


ZANAJAH BLAKC

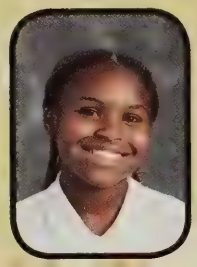

GERSHOM CALIXTE


KELISE FIELDS


KAMAYA FLEMMING


ZIAIRE HALL


LONGHOPE IGIEHON


ZA'KIYAH KELLY


OIVIA BOOMNI KITOYE-RURIS


JADALYN RAMOS


KIAIYONNA REESE


MUSAYYIB SMITH


NAJEE SMITH


MIKAYLA WOMACK

8th Grade Gifted and Talented

Class of 2022


ANISHA ABLE


ELIJAH ABLE


SAMUAL BUFORD


MIA FINNEY


BRIANNA GRIFFIN


KHAALIQ JOHNSON


AYAZZULLAH MDWASIU


DEYANNAH PALMS


ZANIYYAH PARRAMORE

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."
~Malcolm X

Freshmen

Class of 2021


OLUWATOBI ADEBAYO


ALEXANDER AKOTO


ATIYYAH ALI-MOSELY


TASHEEM ANDERSON


ZAIRE ANGOY


HAMEED ANWAR


KEREEM APPLE


ALBERT ASUMANING


AMOS ATIEMO


ANDREUS BAKER


CARLOS BANEGAS-MORENO


JAYLA BLACKMAN


JHAWAN BORROUM


ANIYAH BOYER


JANIYAH BRYANT


CAMARA BULEY


RAEQUAN BUNCH


CHRISTIAN CAMACHO


JARED CARABALLO


TEYANA CHRISANDUT


BAKIR CLEVELAND


RACHEL COHN-CRUZ


JADA COLBERT


ANNALIZ COSME


SHAKORA CRAWFORD


RANDY CUEVAS


ZAHRI CURRY


JABARI DODSON


ASHANTI DORTCH-HAWKINS


QUAWI DOUGLAS


ALASSANE DOUMBIA


IYAHNA DUMEUS


KATRINA DUTERVIL


ALEX ESPINOZA


JANDRY ESTRADA


MA'AT EVANS


ALFONSO FARMER


EDEN FERGUSON


LA-DEA FISHER


KELANA FLOWERS


JALEEL FRAZIER


MOSES GBAGBE-SOWAH


KAYLA GLOVER


MIAJA GOODS


JORDE'T GRANT


ISHONTE GREEN


TYASIA HADDEN


SHYONNA HAGINS


JUSTIN HARCOURT


JAMIYYAH HARPER


QUIAN HARVEY


JANAYSHA HAYDEN


ASHLEIGH HOWARD-JONES


BRIANNA HOWELL-WILLIAMSON


LEAH HUDSON


SERENITY JACKSON


CRYSTIN JACKSON-JOHNSON


COREY JAMISON


JASMIN JOHNSON


TARA JOHNSON


TONI JOHNSON


NIDIR JOHNSON-STEVENSON


DWAINE JONES


TIANA JONES


JASON LEWIS


SHANA LIGGINS


AMINATA MANSARAY


TO'NAYASHA MARTIN


JABRIEL MASON


NAJEE MASSENBURG


SHARON MATEO


TYSHAWN MCCLAIN


MARKIA MCCLEES


KE ETTA MCCRAY


AZZINAYAH MCDANIEL


MARKEVION MCGEE


JUAN MELENDEZ


DIANA MENDEZ


JEHOVAHNI MENSAH


NAQUAYA MITCHELL


LILLY MORENO-CASTILLO


JOSHUA MORIAN


AHMED MOSES

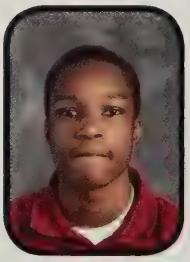

QA'MIR MYLES


ABOUBACAR NABE


ALLEN ODUBERU


AALIYYAH OGLESBY


RAFAEL ORTIZ


BRYAN OTTAH


DANIEL PAYNE


ZIYAAD PERSAUD


JERRON PHILLIPS


KAYLA PHILLIPS


MECCA PHILLIPS


VALIARRE PIERRE


JASMINE POLLARD


LIZETTE REYES


JAMES ROMAN-PANTOJAS


JUDEA RUSH


NAOMI SANGUINETTE


LESLIE SANTOS-MONROY


JE'MIAH SCHOFIELD


JANESSA SCOTT


KHALIYAH SELLERS


RACHAEL SMALL


AMBER SMITH


DONTE' SMITH


QUINTIE SMITH


RASHEED SMITH


NAQUI SPRUILL


DYLAN SUAREZ


SYEDA SULTANA


DIDELEY SYLNEY


ZAKIYAH TERRY


CHRIS TORRES


VINCENT TROWELL


TANESHIA TUCKER


PHYLLIS TUFFOUR


JARED VARNADO


OMAR VEGA


KYIA VENABLE


REINA VILLARONGA


MERCY WAH


JAWAN WALKER


HAFIZ WARREN


TAH'SHEED WASHINGTON


SHALAMAR WILLIAMS


SIDNEY WILLIAMS


T'KEYAH WILLIAMS


ZY'NAIJAH WRIGHT


JACERE YOUNGER

"Education is not a tool for development - individual, community and the nation. It is the foundation for our future. It is empowerment to make choices and emboldens the youth to chase their dreams." Nita Ambani

Sophomores

Class of 2020


EMANI ABDULLAH


AYISHA ABUBAKAR


TOSIN ADEBAYO


SHANIYAH ADOTE


DELMAR AIKENS-BERRY


DARNEL ALEXANDER


CHIDIOGO ANEMELU


SAMIYAH AUGUSTE


JAMIRR BAKER


SAVIR BAKER


SHAH BEGUM


AAZI BEMBRY


KHALIF BEY


VANDEMIR BLAND


DANIELA BOBADILLA


NAHZAE BRANCH


NASIRE BRANCH


ZHAE BRASWELL


DAJANE' BROTHERS


BRIANA BROWN


KIANNA BROWN


KYASIA BROWN


ANTHONY CALLAHAN


SHAPHAN CALLAHAN-LONGUS


SIOMARA CAMPOS


SHUKUR CARMICHAEL


JAHARI CARTER-SMALLWOOD


IRINA CASSOLA


SHAKIRA CEESAY


MALIHA CHOWDHURY


RINIAH CHRISTMAS


MARCUS CINEUS


ANDRE CORIELAN


DEVON CORRY


DEIJAH DAVIS


ISAIAH DAVIS


KAMILL DAWKINS


JULIO DE LOS SANTOS


JAKEEM DONALDSON


JASON EASTER


GAVAHNYA FELTS


ARIAN FOGLE


RONNELL GARRY


NAEEM GIBBONS


ASHANTI GILMORE


ERICKA GONZALEZ


TAMIERA GRANGER


KALIA HATCHER


ODIR HERRERA


SIERRA HIGHTOWER


CIARRA HODGES


RAFI HOSSAIN


TAREK HOSSAIN


ASAD INGRAM


MD SUHANUL ISLAM


JOSSELYN JIMENEZ


SARA JONES


INYYA KING


SHAY'LAH LEWIS


KAVON MACK


KARLA MARIANO


MIGUEL MARTINEZ


KELLY MARTINS


UGOCHI MBAGWU


CRISTINA MCDONALD


JAYDEN MENDOZA


SAJEDAH MERCER


AMAYAH MIKELL


KAZIMIR MILLER


JYSEAN MONTERO


KIMBERLY MORALES


ARIANA MORRISSETTE


BAYYINAH MUHAMMAD


KATHERINE NARANJO


FORTUNE NWAMARA


KEITHSHAWN O'NEAL


DESIREE ORTIZ


NEVAEH PADILLA


MAQUAYLA PALMER


AAMIR PEOPLES


LAKEETAH PERKINS


SIRIL PETTUS


NAKEIYA RAWLS


AMAYA REED-ROBERSON


HELEN RIVERA-MELGAR


KEYARAH ROBERTS


QUAYANAH ROBERTS


DANY RODRIGUEZ


NATHANAEL RODRIGUEZ


ZNARIAH SCHAFFER-WHITE


AAZIYAH SELLERS


TALIAH SHEFFIELD


ZA'MIJAEY SINGLETON


REGINALD SMITH


DREONNA STARKS-JONES


ZYHEIMA SWINT


CHARLEMAGNE THOMAS


ZAGEIRY VALERA-CARRERO


CHRISTOPHER VARGAS


YOSKAR VASQUEZ-DIAZ


WEINSSETAN VINCENT


TIYANA WASHINGTON


TIYONNIE WASHINGTON


NADIRAH WEBB


DARIUS WILLIAMS


FAHEEM WILLIAMS


INDIA WILLIAMS


KAMARI WILLIAMS


ZAIRE WILLIAMS


AMIRA WOLFE


MINIYA WOMACK


JOHNASIA WRIGHT


LAFAYIA WRIGHT


EZEQUIEL ZURITA

TOP 5 TIPS FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS

From Zeinab Ouedraogo

1. DO NOT procrastinate!

2. ALWAYS study!

3. Utilize a planner to STAY ORGANIZED!

4. Be ON TIME to class!

5. Research college admissions and scholarship requirements EARLY!

Juniors

Class of 2019


MALACHI ALEXANDER


AMANDA AMPONSAH


SANAYAH ANDERSON


AMAYA ANDERSON-DATUS


KIARA ATWOODS


KHARI BELL


NIYANI BLAKE


IYANNA BROWN


JADA BROWN


PHABIAN BUCHANAN


KAYLA BURGMAN


DEREK CASTRO


XARIAL CHANDLER


OMAR COLEOTE


D'ANDRE COLLINS


ONEIL COLON


JALEN CULVER-DAVIS


DASHAWN DAVIS


NAOMI DEJESUS


NYRIQ DWIGHT-SUTTON


TYQUAN FINKLEY


VINCENT FREDENSON


QUAIDYN GAYLE


ISHMEAL GRAHAM


MIKAIA GRANGER


ZARIA GRIFFIN


TAYSIR HALL


AHMAD HAY


GARFIELD HEMLEY


NYSHAYA HOLMES


ABDUL-RAHIM ISSAH


NATAYAH JAMISON


MAKIYAH JOHNSON


SHANAY JONES


TYRONE JONES


AYANNA KIMBROUGH


SHARIF KIRKSEY


MOHAMED KOITA


SAHMIR LEE


ISAYAH LOCKHART


SAMIR MACK


YAKI MACK


ZAHNAYAH MALONE


JOSE MARTE-NUNEZ


TOANA M'BONDI


KIAREI MCCOY


PRECIOUS MCKENITH


KIWANI MEDLEY-CARSON


ASHLEY MENDEZ


LUIS MENDEZ


GIOVANNY MONTERO


JASMIN MUNGIN


MARQUISE NEAL


ASIA ODOM


TEMITOPE OGUNKOLA


ROALDO OLIVERA


CHRISTIAN ORTIZ


JAYLA PETERSON


TYLER PHILLIPS


TABITHA PIERRE


JAELYNN QUITTLEY


JAZZDELL RHETT


JAMES RIVERA


AZIZAH ROBERTS


DESTYNIE RODRIGUEZ


CHRISTIAN ROJAS


MAXIMINO ROSA


JOSHUA ROSA-DIAZ


RACHELLE ROSADO


CLAUDIA RUDROW-LEWIS


CARLOS SALAS


LENDY SALAZAR-CARVAJAL


MAGDARLIE SALVANT


KHALIF SANDIFER


JASMINE SHACKLEFORD

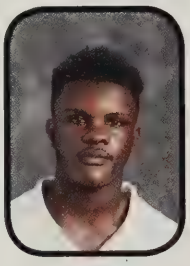

SETH SMALL


DEANA SMITH


DE'AVION SMITH


GERMANI SMITH


RICKIE SPANN


REGINALD SPEIGHTS


DYNIAH STAMPS


YAHSMIN TAYLOR


AYANNA THELEMAQUE


DAAYVONA THOMAS


NATASIA THOMAS


WALI THOMAS


JOHANNA TRINIDAD


JUAN VASQUEZ-GUZMAN


RAQUAIYAH WATKINS


KYE'L WATSON


QUANAJAH WATSON


SHAYLAH WHITE


NIYLAH WILLIAMS


SKYLIN WILLIAMS


AKELA WILSON


KELVIN WILSON


JESSICA YEBOAH


RYAN ZAMORA

Class of 2018 valedictorian and Salutatorian



Inasia Belton, Ms. Bennett, Prince Abimah

Class of 2018 Officers



Grace Blay
President



Enaysia Green
Vice President



Saheemah Allen
Secretary



Inasia Belton
Treasurer



Class Advisor

Mrs. Dunker-Ware

Class of 2018,

The time is finally here and I will miss ALL of you so VERY MUCH! You have stolen your way into my heart and you will not be easily replaced in the years to come. I am very confident that wherever your path leads, you will be more than capable of finding success. The time spent working hard, laughing, and making plans together will last forever in my memory. I will leave you with a few lines from the Rascal Flatts band... "My Wish"

"I hope the days come easy and the moments pass slow,
And each road leads you where you wanna go,
And if you're faced with a choice, and you have to choose,
I hope you choose the one that means the most to you.
And if one door opens to another door closed,
I hope you keep on walkin' till you find the window,
If it's cold outside, show the world the warmth of your smile.
But more than anything, more than anything
My wish, for you, is that this life becomes all that you want it to,
Your dreams stay big, your worries stay small,
You never need to carry more than you can hold,
And while you're out there getting where you're getting to,
I hope you know somebody loves you, and wants the same things too,
Yeah, this, is my wish.
I hope you never look back, but you never forget,
All the ones who love you, in the place you live,
I hope you always forgive, and you never regret,
And you help somebody every chance you get,
Oh, you find God's grace, in every mistake,
And always give more than you take."

I will remember you fondly,
Ms. Dunker-Ware

"Your time as a caterpillar has expired. Your wings are ready," — Anonymous



Class of 2018



Phoenix Pride



"There are two rules for success... 1. Never reveal everything you know." ~Roger H. Lincoln

Prince Abimah



"The best way to predict your future is to create it." ~Abraham Lincoln

Karin Adams



"All praise to the most high."

Clinton Adu-Agyei



"Time is money..." ~ Benjamin Franklin

Chimazuru Akagha



"I need a room full of mirrors so I can be surrounded by winners." ~ Kanye West~

Saheemah Allen



"If practice makes perfect, I'm practices baby." - J.Cole

Dwight Ankle



"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." ~ Eleanor Roosevelt

Martha Arenas



" Do not underestimate the determination of a quiet man." ~Iaian Duncan Smith

Kevin Arizabal



"I will always win".

Shardea Armstrong



"The river may be wide, but it can be crossed." -Ivory Coast

Abena Asante



"Forever talked about, one of the greatest, so you know I'm trending." ~Moneybagg Yo

Jaida Atkins



No one can push me to my full potential or be the best, other than myself. Thanks Mom and Dad, but no one can push you harder than yourself. You have to want it for yourself.

Shamonique Atwater



"You'll Never Walk Alone." ~ Liverpool FC

Jefferson Avila



"Ma, we made it!"

Sabir Baker



"I got Summer hatin' on me 'cause I'm hotter than the sun got spring hatin' on me 'cause I ain't never sprung Winter hatin' on me 'cause I'm colder than you all and I will never, I will never, I will never fall." -Lil Wayne

Ahzem Baldwin-Henry



"She turned her can'ts into cans and her dreams into plans."
~ Kobi Yamada

Kaiya Bargaineer



"Don't be jealous of anyone, be inspired.. we all get the same 24 hours to grind."

Aaliyah Beckford



"People who love to eat are always the best people."
~ Julia Child

Inasia Belton



" If you keep it trill you'll get a blessing for it."
~ Meek Mill

Sadeeya Bentham



"You couldn't handle me even if I came with instructions."
~ Princess G

Grace Blay



"Whenever you leave behind failure, you are doing good. If you think everything you've done is great, you're probably dumb."
~ Louis C.K.

Cordell Bowens



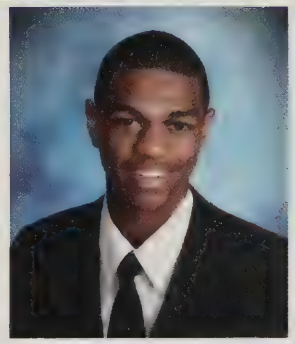
"Donald Trump was never my president."
Rolls eyes

Blessing Braimah



"Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened. Every ending has a new beginning."

Jordan Burrell-Anderson



"I've been against all odds my whole life but that's not going to stop me. It just made me work even harder, it just made me want to prove them wrong."
-Isaiah Thomas

Shahid Burwell



"Focus on grinding & staying humble. I wonder what everyone seeing in me."
~ NBA YoungBoy

Arly Castillo



"Why you think my name is artist? I'm an artist."
#NefOnTheBeat

Nefertiti Cooper



"Sometimes you will never know the value of a moment until it becomes a memory."
~Dr.Seuss

Niara Council



"Nobody built like you,you design your self."
~Jay-Z (A Dream)

Fantaysha Cuadrado



"Watch How All The HATE Turn into Love soon!!!"

Byshir Desir



"Always know where you are valued and appreciated. Do not find yourself where you are not."

Dajah Dixon



"Goodbye old boyfriends hello new boyfriends."

De'Jane Dixon-James



"We're gone. I miss it [school] so much. False. I do not miss it."
-Dwight from The Office.

Bianca Dodson



"Right or Wrong, You have To Live With Your Decisions."

Al-Quan Dwight



Dear future self, "Always remember who got you where you are today."

Eliezer Fernandez



"And now the ACTUAL hard work starts."

Naseem Forbes



"Sometimes you just need to distance yourself from people...If they care they'll notice. If they don't you know where you stand."
~ Ziad K. Abdelnour

Yusuf Goines



"You can hate me but why knock my hustle? Imma be the queen no matter how they shuffle. Ya dig."
-Nicki M.

Alicia Gordon



"Preparing for the future is going to be a challenge but guess what I'm going to become? successful."

Zakirah Graham



"I don't have to prove anything to anyone, I only have to follow my heart and concentrate on what I want to say to the world. I run my world."
-Beyoncé

Enaysia Green



"My brain is glitter as gold, tell my teacher to play her role."

Ikea Greene



"Stop stressing start finessing ...
u dig"

Ike Harcourt



High school is like an ex...you won't miss it when it's gone.

Najir Haywood



"Highschool musical lied to me."

Janae Hughey



"Be who you are and say what you feel, because those who mind don't matter, and those who matter don't mind."
Dr. Seuss

Dy'Zhanae Jackson



"Finish each day and be done with it. You have done what you could Tomorrow is a new day."
~ F. Scott Fitzgerald

Me'Ajah Jackson



"You only have one life to live so you better make the best of it"
~ Bruno Mars

Tatyana Jackson



"I don't need the tea, baby I got the juice."
~ Fab

Destanie Jefferson-Lee



"On my way to success, I got a map for it."
- Young M.A.

Aaron Jenkins



"Soon as this paperwork done, I'm touching everything."
~ Mrs.DoTheMost.

Emanni Jenkins



"I know this moment'd come, now it's my time."
~ NBA Youngboy

Jada Johnson



"Now I move with aggression use my mind as a weapon."
~ Meek Mill

Majid Johnson



"Push yourself to do the best you can because everyone else just wants to see you fail"

Tamara Johnson



"Life's a test, Mistakes are lessons, but the gift of life is knowing that you have made a difference."
~Tupac Shakur

Serenity Jones



"Your time as a caterpillar has expired, your wings are ready."

Dominique Joseph



" Now I could let these dream killers kill my self-esteem or use my arrogance as the steam to power my dreams."
~ Kanye West

Mafatuma Kelleh



"Success is only meaningful and enjoyable if it feels like your own."
~ Michelle Obama

Khaleya Kelly



"They don't like me but they gotta respect the fact that I'm getting rich."
~ Meek Mill

Monica Lassiter



"Don't leave this world without giving it your all."
~ Tupac

Robert Leverett



"Anything's possible if you've got enough nerve."
~ J.K Rowling

Brandon Livingston



"High School is a lot like toilet paper, you only miss it when it's gone."

Edgardo Lopez



"Read About It."

Shariff Manning-Cook



"I have to be successful because I like expensive things."

Dayanara Martinez



"People going to talk regardless, do what you got to do to make yourself better. You feel me?"
~ Decontee Matthew

Decontee Matthew



"A ship is always safe at shore but that is not what it's built for."
~Albert Einstein

Jaris McClamb



"What often feels like the end, is often the beginning"
- T.S Eliot

Kelly McIntyre



"When is the senior quote due?"

Jordan Miranda



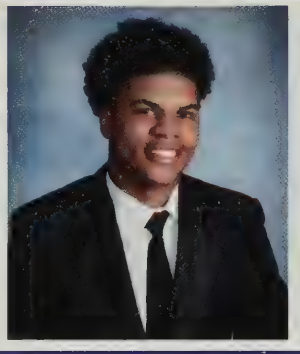
"You know I am who they said I wouldn't be!" -YFN Lucci

Amber Moses



"If I ain't have the keys to success I would've picked the lock."

Ty-Saiah Moss



"I had to be patience for this, I'm the man now was the man then"
~ G Herbo

Khizeeq Murphy



"Winners never quit and quitters never win."
~ Vince Lombardi

Edwin Nieto



"Prove them wrong"

Brandon Odom



"Graduation is not the end; it's the beginning."
~ Orrin Hatch

Andrew Orta



"Couple yerdies use to play me now they get the message!!"
~ G Herbo

Teresa Ortiz



"I am the bomb."

Zeinab Ouedraogo



"If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito."
~ Dalai Lama XIV

Daniel Owusu



"I spent 100,000 hours of my life for a paper and a handshake."

Benjamin Padmore



"It came to an end, but it is time for new beginnings."

Da-Quan Patterson



"The bodega in front of the day care makes good bacon egg and cheese but they always mess up your order."

Jeanmarcos Perez



"Angelina sold out 6 times in 4 months."

Meagan Pichardo



"Don't stop thinking about tomorrow. It'll soon be here."

Rahquan Pierce



"I have discovered in life that there are ways of getting almost anywhere you want to go, if you really want to go."
- Langston Hughes

Amayah Powell



"Beat the odds, overcome the statistics and seize the stereotype that we won't succeed."

Rahyanna Powell-Bouie



"It's been magical, but I'm done!"

Nakaya Prindle-Higgs



"I barely went school Just to get accepted to another school."

Larry Ransdell



"I have dreams and I feel like I have a power to actually make those dreams become a reality!"
~Queen Bey

Ja'myra Ridley



"If you're reading this, future me, put down this book and do something more productive."

Charington Robinson



"We got dreams and we got the right to chase em look at the nation that's a crooked smile braces couldn't even straighten."
~ J.Cole

Danielle Robinson



"All our dreams can come true...if we have the courage to pursue them."
~ Walt Disney

Rosendy Rodriguez



"Newark gave me ambition and motivation to want more for myself. It's a reminder to stay on top of my game. It is not a place I want to be all my life"

China Rogers



"Don't complain about what you need not subject yourself to."
~ The Satanic Bible

Adrian Saliva



CLASS OF 2018

Khadijah Scott



"MIND OVER MATTER. I DON'T MIND AND YOU DON'T MATTER."
~NICKI MANAJ

Sa'Leyah Scott-Holmes



"THIS IS NOTHING BUT A HIVE, AND I AM THE ONE AND ONLY QUEEN BEE."
~AJ

Abbrielle Screven



"SOOOO BASICALLY WE'RE GRADUATING JUST TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL?"

Kaylah Sewell



"YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY ABOUT HOPE. IT BREEDS ETERNAL MISERY."
~ SPENCER FROM PRETTY LITTLE LIARS

Carlos Shamburger



"PUT YOUR FUTURE IN GOOD HANDS –YOUR OWN."
~UNKNOWN

Travonte Solomon



"EDUCATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL WEAPON WHICH YOU CAN USE TO CHANGE THE WORLD."
~ NELSON MANDELA

Aaliyah Spencer



"THE ONE'S WHO SAY 'YOU CAN'T' AND 'YOU WON'T' ARE PROBABLY THE ONES SCARED THAT 'YOU WILL."
~ ZIAD K. ABDELNOUR

Na'Dree Stewart



''TO ACCOMPLISH GREAT THINGS, WE MUST NOT ONLY ACT, BUT ALSO DREAM, NOT ONLY PLAN, BUT ALSO BELIEVE."
~ ANATOLE FRANCE

Derika Tawiah



"MUSIC IS A MORAL LAW. IT GIVES SOUL TO THE UNIVERSE, WINGS TO THE MIND, FLIGHT TO THE IMAGINATION, AND CHARM AND CHEERFULNESS TO LIFE AND TO EVERYTHING."
~ PLATO

Darren Thomas



"WE DIDN'T REALIZE WE WERE MAKING MEMORIES, WE JUST KNEW WE WERE HAVING FUN."
-DR. SUESS

Nyleen Vargas



"WISH I COULD GO BACK IN LIFE NOT TO CHANGE ANYTHING, JUST TO FEEL A COUPLE THINGS TWICE."

Ayonna Wallace



"BASEBALL IS A MAN MAKER."
~ AL SPALDING

Caleb Ware



"GO CONFIDENTLY IN THE DIRECTION OF YOUR DREAMS, LIVE THE LIFE YOU'VE IMAGINED."
~ HENRY DAVID THOREAU

Justin Watkins



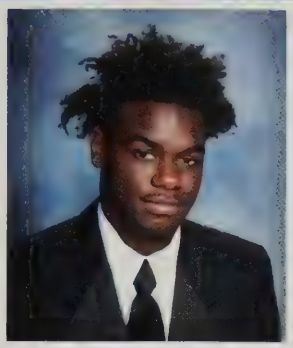
"LIFE ISN'T ABOUT HOW MANY BREATHS YOU TAKE, BUT IT'S ABOUT THE MOMENTS THAT TAKE YOUR BREATHE AWAY. LIVE LIFE TO THE FULLEST AND NEVER TAKE ANYTHING FOR GRANTED."

Tamar Wertz



"Perseverance, secret of all triumphs."
~Victor Hugo

Demani Wiggins



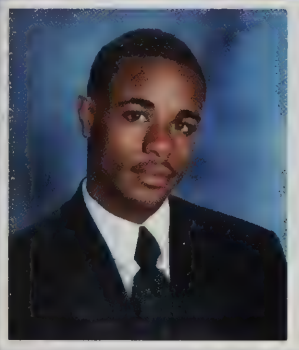
"We Sink, We Swim, We Rise, We Fall. We Meet Our Fate Together."
~ Denzel Washington

Kyle Wiggins



"I heard they counting me out...well they must not know how to count that's why they broke now."
~ Juelz Santana

Kyleea Womack



"Face your life, it's pain, it's pleasure, leave no path untaken."
~Neil Gaiman

Tyon Yarrell



"Strive for more than just achievement in life, but strive to be the best. Let all the doubt you've endured push you, let it show just how capable you really are."

Tyonnah Yarrell



"Try again. Fail again. Fail better"-
~Samuel Beckett

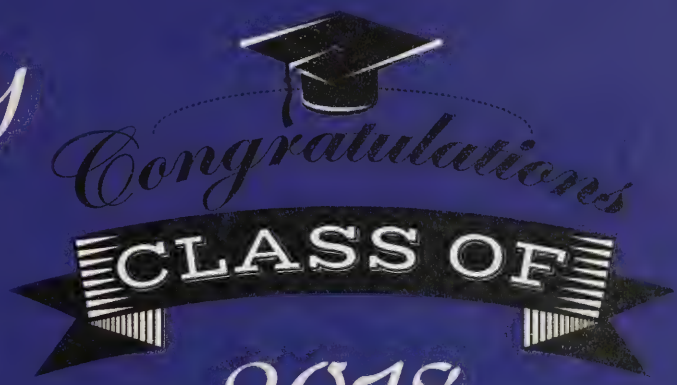
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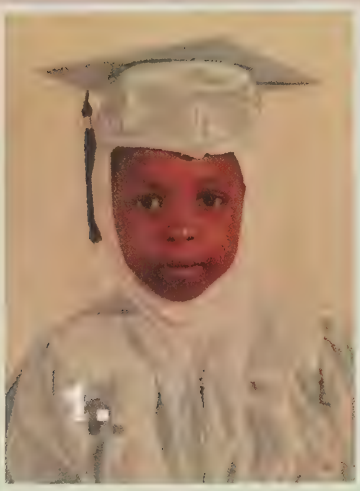
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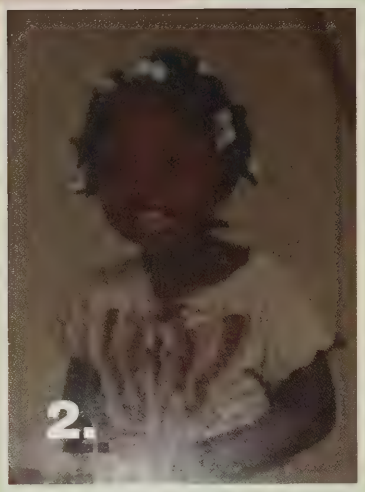
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Baby Faces OF 2018


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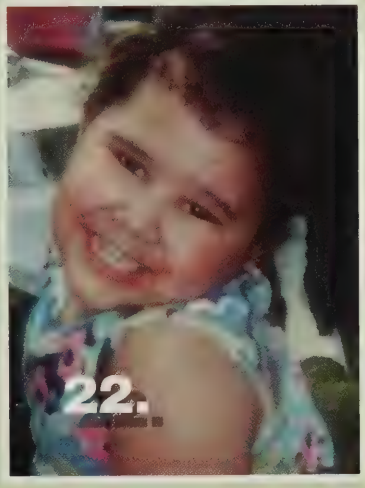

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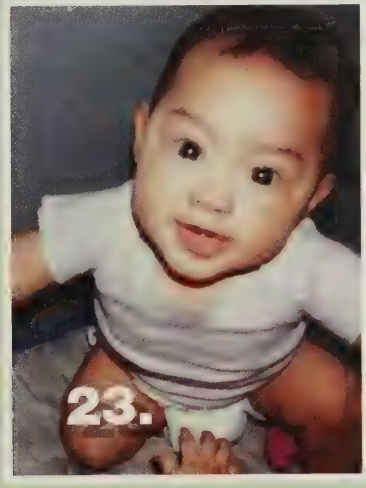

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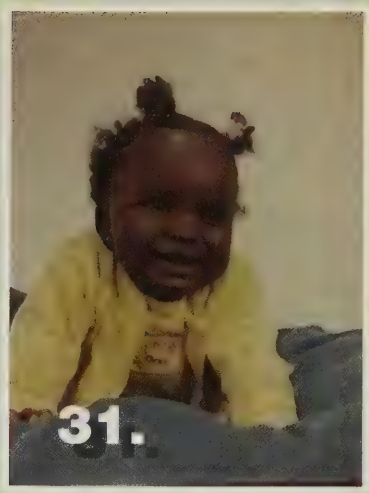

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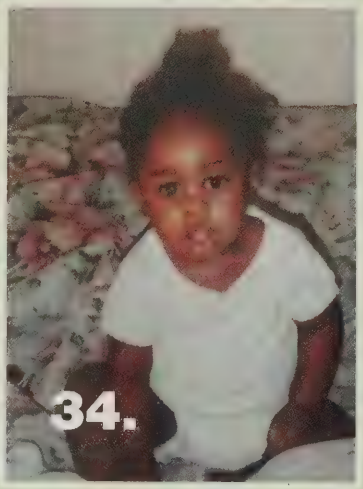

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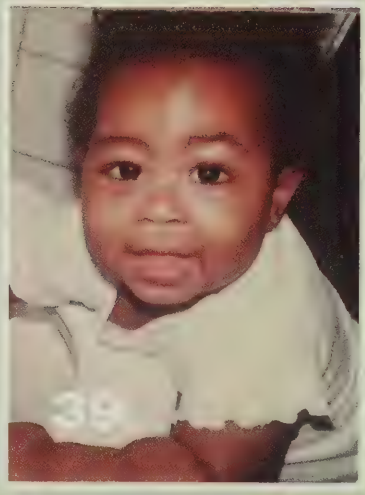

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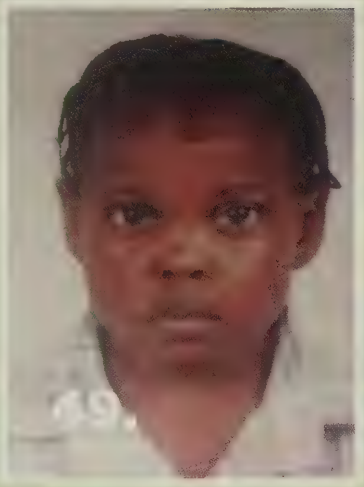

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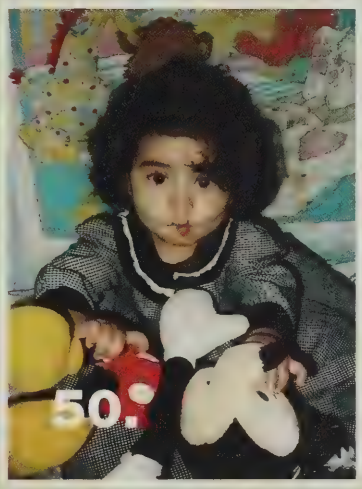

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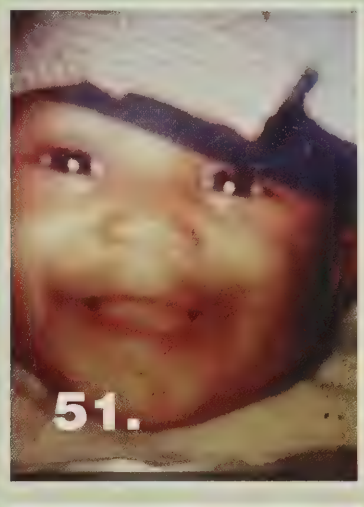

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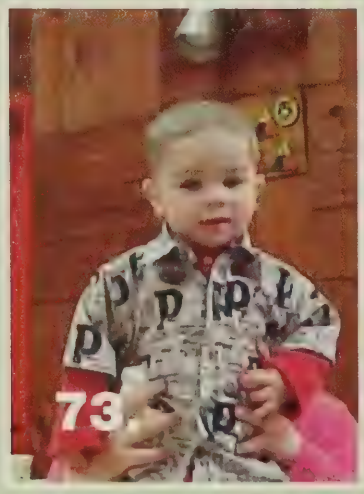

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Baby Faces Revealed

Class of 2018

"The days are long, but the years are short."

- Gretchen Rubin

1.Zeinab Ouedraogo
2. Zakirah Graham
3. Tyonnah and Tyon Yarrell
4. Teresa Ortiz
5. Shariff Manning-Cook
6. Shardea Armstrong
7. Shamonique Atwater
8. Shahid Burwell
9. Saheemah Allen
10. Sa'Leyah Scott-Holmes
11. Ryan Hemnarine
12. Rosendy Rodriguez
13. Rahquan Pierce
14. Rahyanna Powell-Bouie
15. Prince Abimah
16. Nyleen Vargas
17. Niara Council
18. Nefertiti Cooper
19. Najir Haywood
20. Na'Dree Stewart
21. Monica Lassiter
22. Meagan Pichardo
23. Martha Arenas
24. Majid Johnson
25. Larry Ransdell
26. Kyleea Womack
27. Khizeeq Murphy
28. Khaleya Kelly
29. Khadijah Scott
30. Kelly McIntyre
31. Kaylah Sewell
32. Karin Adams
33. Kaiya Bargaineer
34. Justin Watkins
35. Jordan Miranda
36. Jordan Burrell-Anderson
37. Jeanmarcos Perez
38. Jaris McClamb
39. Janae Hughey
40. Jaida Atkins
41. Jada Johnson
42. Ja'Myra Ridley
43. Inasia Belton
44. Ikea Greene
45. Grace Blay
46. Fantaysha Cuadrado
47. Enaysia Green
48. Dy'Zhanae Jackson
49. Dwight Ankle
50. Diana Zamora
51. Demani Wiggins
52. De'Jane Dixon
53. Dayanara Martinez
54. Daquan Patterson
55. Dajah Dixon
56. China Rogers
57. Charington Robinson
58. Carlos Shamburger
59. Caleb Ware
60. Byshir Desir
61. Blessing Braimah
62. Benjamin Padmore
63. Ayonna Wallace
64. Arly Castillo
65. Andrew Orta
66. Amber Moses
67. Amayah Powell
68. Al-Quan Dwight
69. Alicia Gordon
70. Abbrielle Screven
71. Ahzem Baldwin
72. Aaliyah Beckford
73. Adrian Saliva
74. Aaron Jenkins
75. Aaliyah Spencer

BEST OF THE BEST

Class Clowns





Na'Dree Stewart & Dominique Joseph

Best Dressed





Ty-Saiah Moss & Nefertiti Cooper

Most Likely to Succeed





Prince Abimah & Zeinab Ouedraogo

Best Hair



Na'Dree Stewart & Enaysia Green

Best Dancer

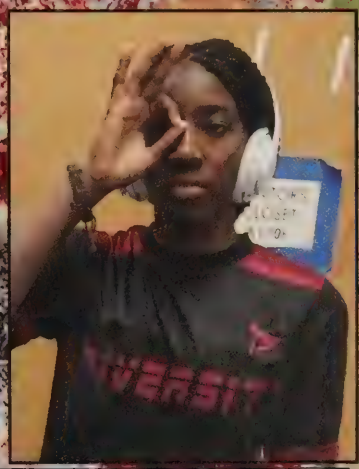




Prince Abimah & Alicia Gordon

Best Athlete





Clinton Adu-Agyei & Danielle Robinson

Worst Case of Senioritis



Dy'Zhanae Jackson

Teacher's Pet



Jaida Atkins

Best Smile





Na'Dree Stewart & Monica Lassiter

Beauty & Brains



Grace Blay & Saheemah Allen

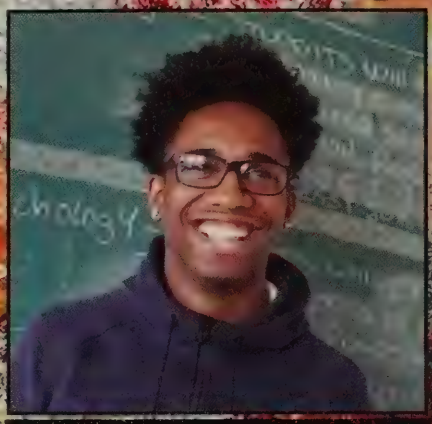
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Class Saint



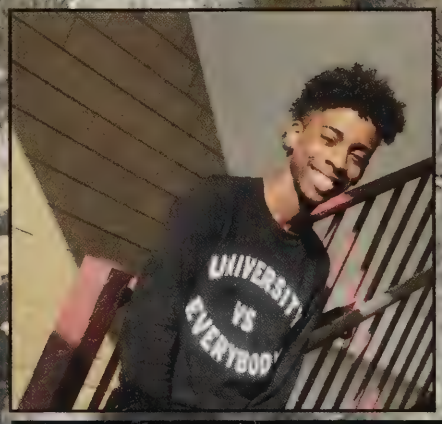
Inasia Belton

Funniest Laugh



Jaris McClamb

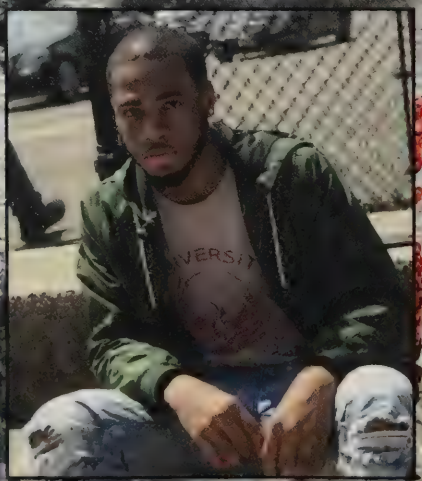
Life of the Party





Na'Dree Stewart & Abbrielle Screven

Most Sarcastic



Najir Haywood

Cutest Couple



Shahid Burwell & Saheemah Allen

Mr. DeFalco's 4-Year Crew

World History, USI, USII, Senior Elective (Psychology or Sociology)



"Sometimes it's the journey that teaches you a lot about your destination." - Drake

University's Home Grown

Early High Schoolers



It has been a long journey for these 37 talented seniors who were accepted into University High School's Middle School program in the 7th grade. Since then, they have consistently shown great potential and academic success as six year members of the Phoenix family. As they now embark on different paths, they will always PAY IT FORWARD and exhibit their PHOENIX PRIDE.

Saheemah Allen, Jaida Atkins, Inasia Belton, Shahid Burwell, Malyasia Cotton, Niara Council, Byshir Desir, Dajah Dixon, Bianca Dodson, Janaya Ezeike, Enaysia Green, Jordan Miranda, Ty-Saiah Moss, Khizeeq Murphy, Zeinab Ouedraogo, Da'Quan Patterson, Rahquan Pierce, Amayah Powell, Ja'Myra Ridley, Charrington Robinson, Khadijah Scott, Abbrielle Screven, Kaylah Sewell, Carlos Shamburger, Na'Dree Stewart, Nadirah Walker, Dy'Zhanae Jackson, Me'Ajah Jackson, Tatyana Jackson, Destanie Jefferson-Lee, Emanni Jenkins, Monica Lassiter, Brandon Livingston, Jaris McClamb, Kelly McIntyre, Kyle Wiggins, and Kyleea Womack.

Good luck to our home grown early high schoolers. The world is yours, TAKE IT!













National Honors Society



National Honor Society is a student group committed to the principles of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Members are held to the highest standards: they must maintain a 3.5 GPA, serve as school leaders, and complete at least 25 hours of community service. This year, we have relied heavily on our senior members and officers, especially President Zeinab Ouedraogo, Vice President Saheemah Allen, and Historian Grace Blay. At the year-end induction ceremony, 22 new members were inducted to the group, which boasts over 1,000,000 members throughout the United States, but the hard work of the seniors while fundraising, planning activities, and setting examples for the underclassmen has been invaluable. Their leadership will be missed, and we wish them the best of luck in the next stage of their lives!



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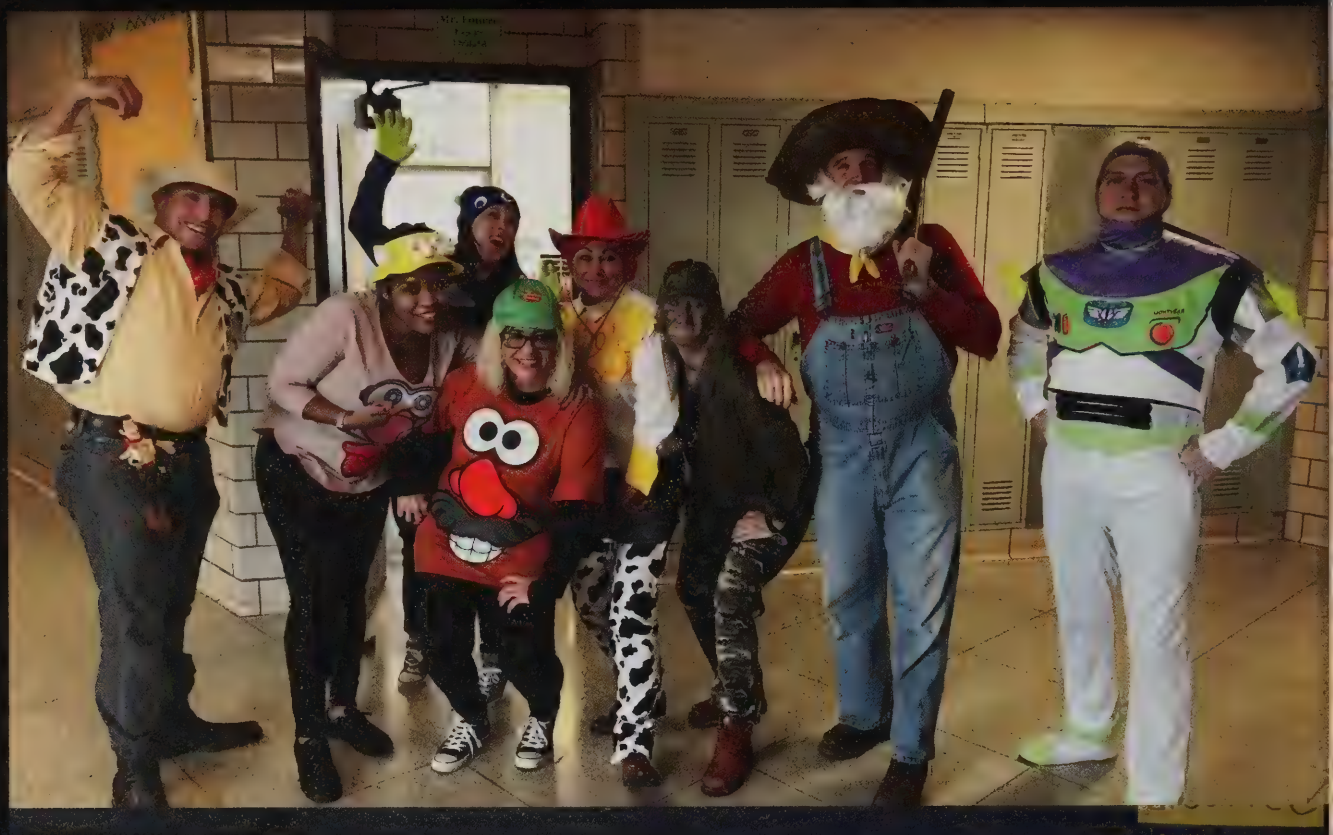
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Jordan Miranda

STUDENT LIFE

Halloween at University






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HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES

UGLY HOLIDAY SWEATERS





















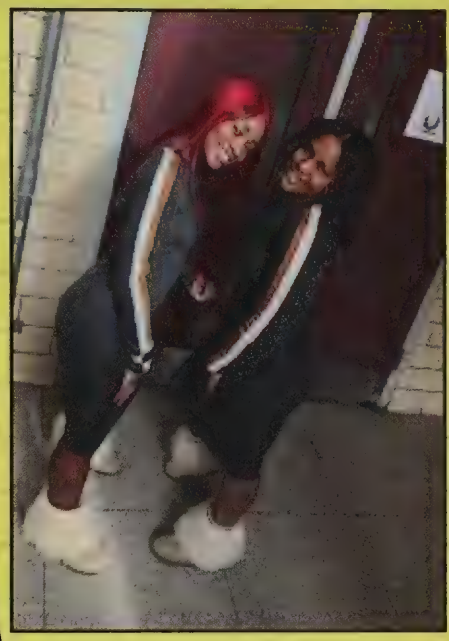




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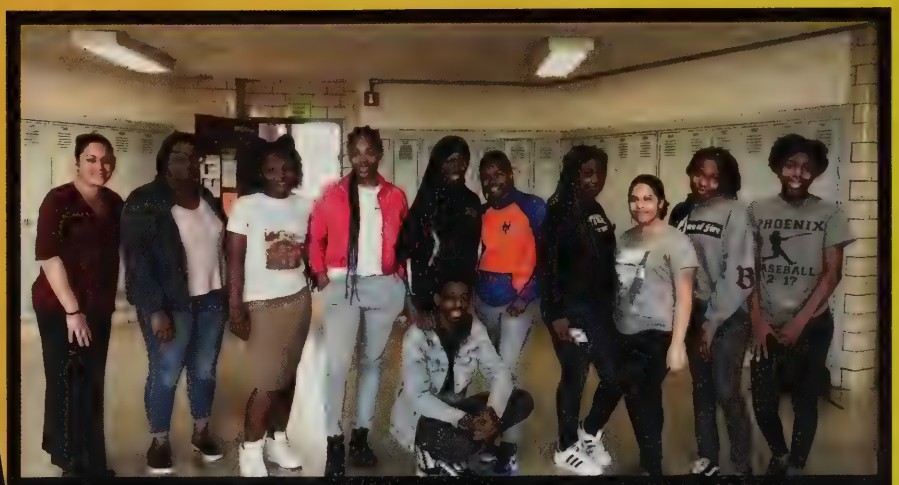




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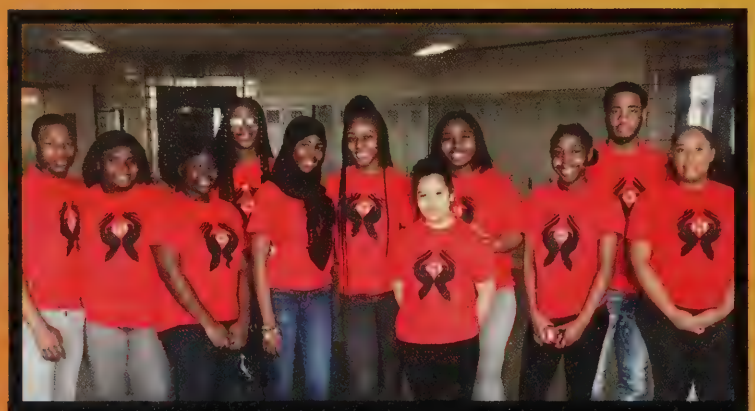
Malaysia Cotton
Preparing for an upcoming competition



Stand and Deliver

Stand and Deliver provides students the opportunity to build on communication skills through public speaking and leadership roles. The program offers an environment that enables students to strengthen self-esteem and confidence.

Club Advisor: Ms. Ruesta



SLAM

SLAM is a program that focuses on Students Learning About Medicine and future nurses. The program nurture students interested in pursuing a career in the medical field.

Club Advisor:
Dr. Grace Beaumont





StreetSquash

StreetSquash Newark's mission is to provide consistent, long-term and reliable support to the children, families and schools in Newark. By exposing students to a wide range of opportunities and by maintaining the highest standards, StreetSquash Newark aims to help each child realize his or her academic and personal potential.



The French Club

The French Club is a social club focused on French culture and language for students of all levels. The club provides students with many cultural activities outside of the classroom.

Club Advisor:
Mr. Julien



CLUBS



Debate

University High School Debate

This year, University High School's debate team competed in Tournaments in the city of Newark, throughout New Jersey, and across the country. Seniors Ryan Hemnarine, Rosendy Rodriguez, and Janaya Ezeike showed their argumentative prowess and led a team mostly comprised of underclassmen. Each of these members of the Class of 2018 has earned Top Speaker honors at tournaments this year. Ryan Hemnarine qualified for all three national championships, and he won Top Speaker Honors at the prestigious Tournament of Champions!

Even though these great competitors will be missed, the future of University Debate looks bright with Sophomores Kamari Williams and Keyarah Roberts, Freshmen Mercy Wah and James Roman-Pantojas, and Eighth Graders Kennedy Onley and Rosalie Rodriguez all ready to step up.

Coaches Devane Murphy and Scott Hood want to congratulate the team for their hard work and fun, competitive spirits. Special thanks also to Carlos Astacio and Willie Johnson, of the Newark Debate Academy, among others, for their contributions. The team also wants to wish a heartfelt farewell to our teammate Manaswini Sathyanarayanan; we miss you, Swini!

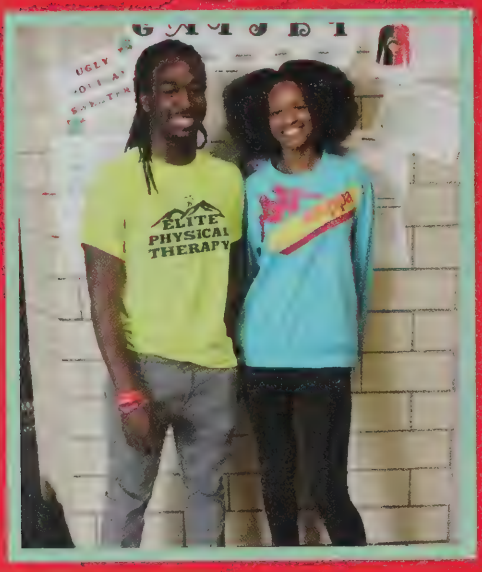


Science Park HS student Osmane Sanogo
UHS Alumna Vida Chiri
UHS Debate Coach Mr. Hood
Ryan Hemnarine —4th place speaker at the National Debate Coaches Association National Championships
Science Park Student Brianna Aaron (holding award for 2nd place speaker at the National Debate Coaches Association National Championships
UHS Alumnus Carlos Astacio
UHS Debate Coach Devane Murphy
Science Park HS Debate Coach Jonathan Alston
UHS Alumnus Elijah Smith

Congratulations Ryan!!



Senior School Spirit 2018











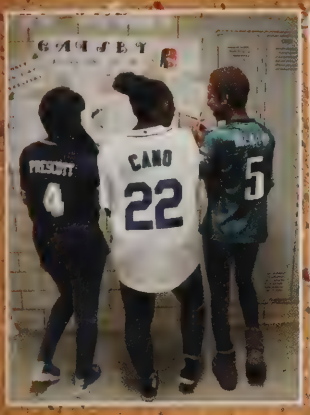
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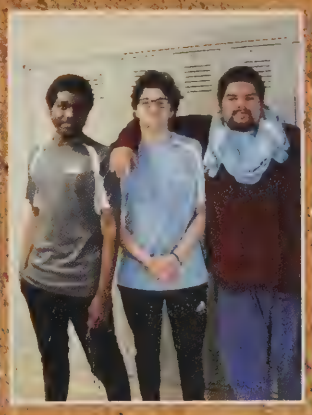
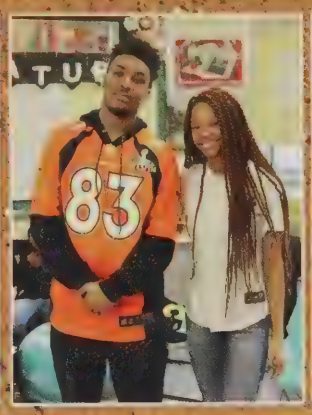
FAVORITE JERSEYS

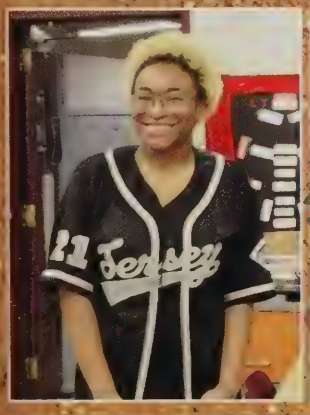


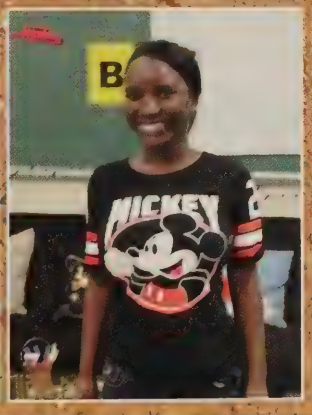


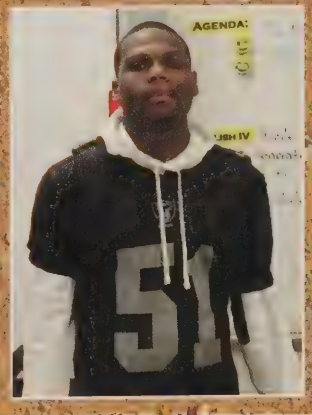


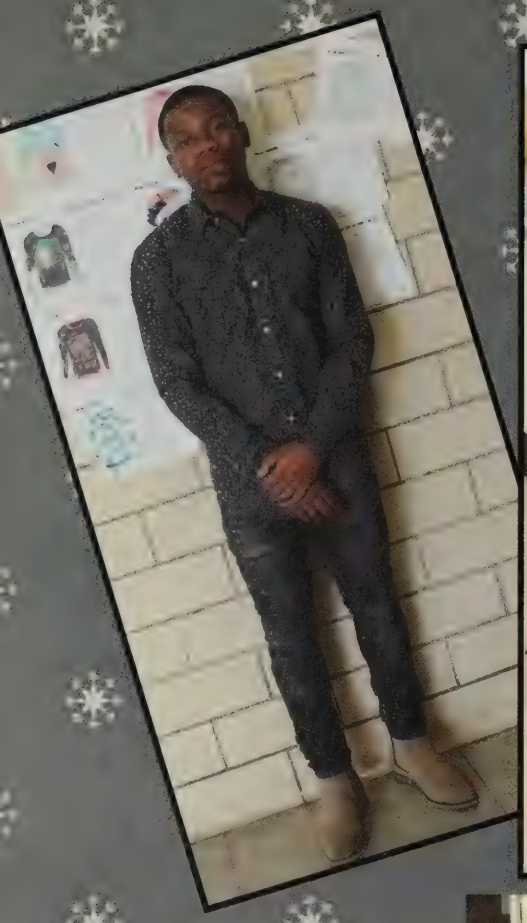
















Dress to Impress

National Walkout Day

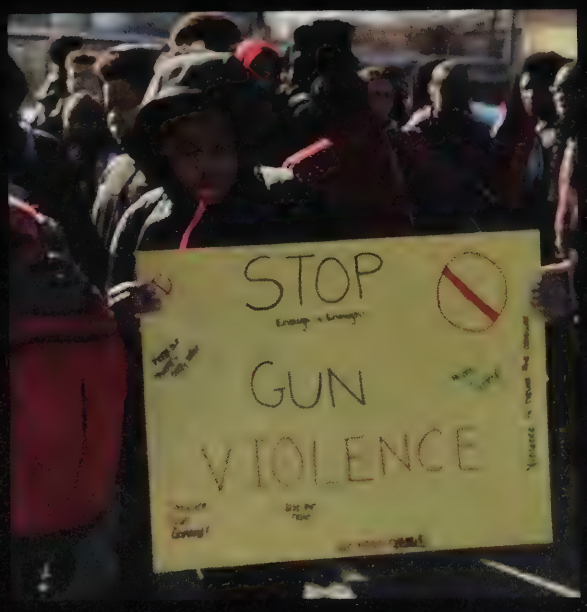
On March 14, 2018, seniors joined in solidarity with other students nationwide to protest gun violence and demand stricter gun laws. They led underclassmen out into the courtyard for 17 minutes of silence for the 17 students killed in Parkland, Florida.

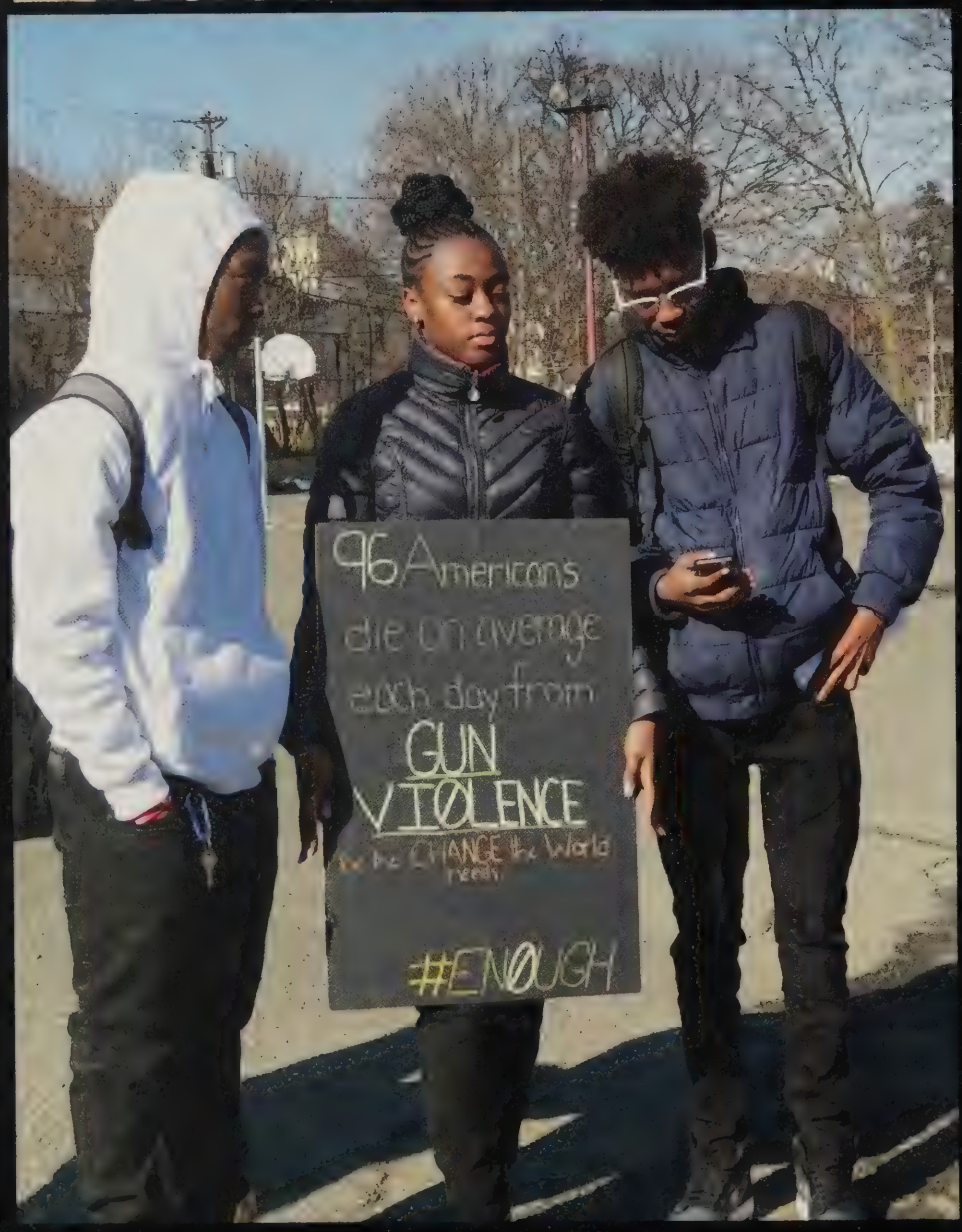


National Walkout Day

March 14, 2018























DECISION DAY

May 1, 2018 was national college decision day. Seniors revealed their college choices and then kicked off the celebration with a barbecue in the courtyard.






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DECISION DAY BBQ

























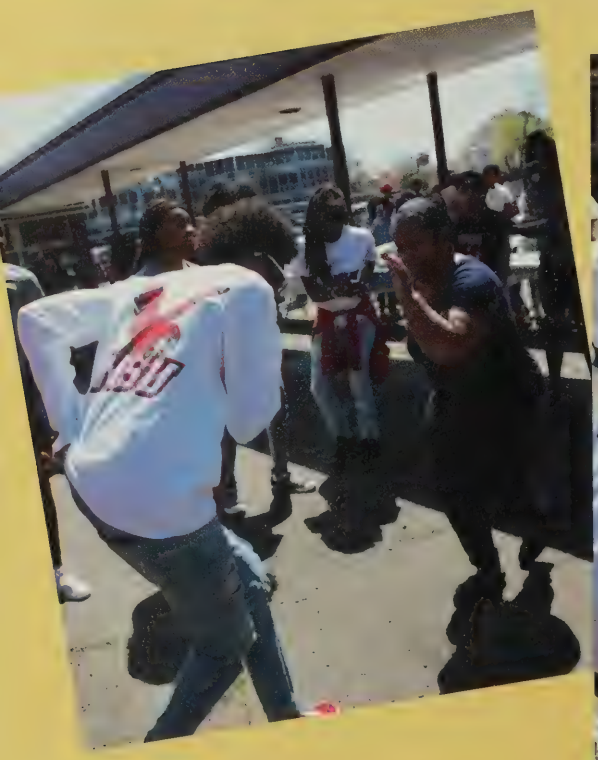

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BBQ DANCE BATTLE WITH MS. DUNKER-WARE AND NA'DREE STEWART





















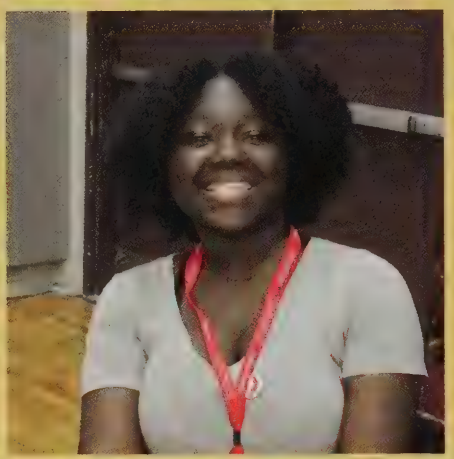


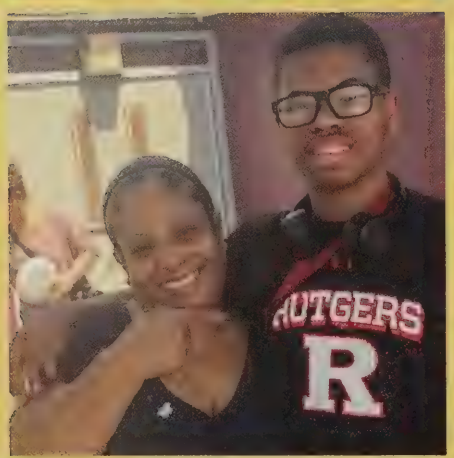
DECISION DAY BBQ





















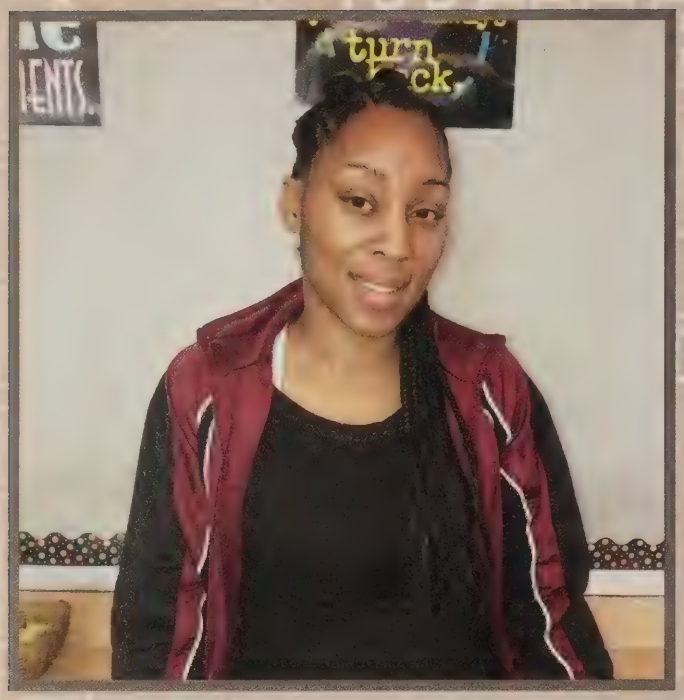



RUTGERS







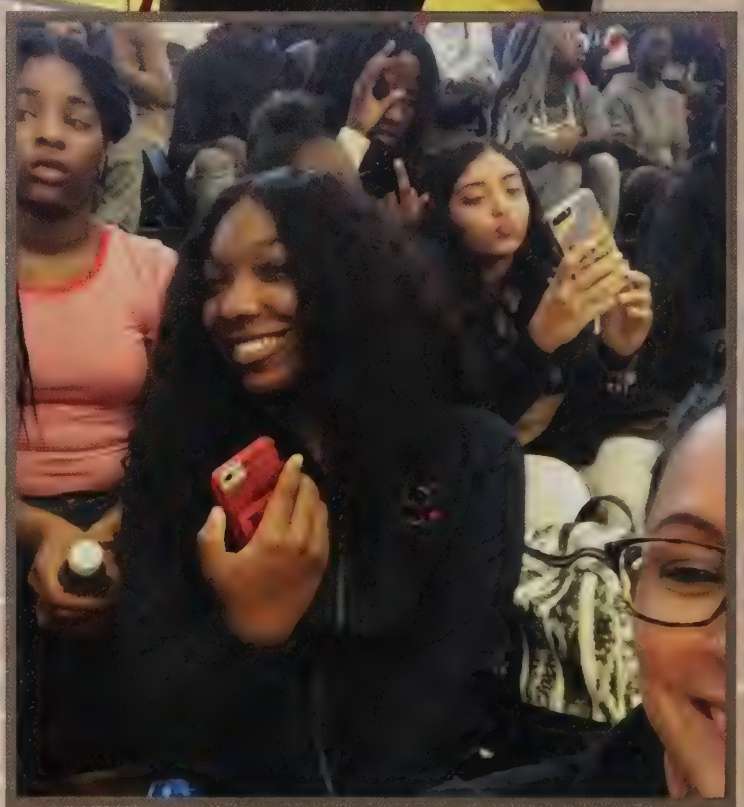


Athletic Director

Michelle Wilson

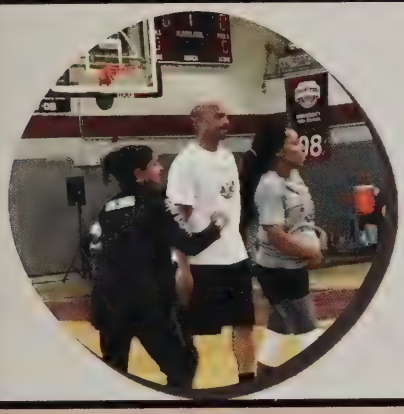


UHS SPORTS



PEP RALLY

University sponsors its annual Pep Rally to kick off basketball season. Administrators, teachers, students, and alumni join in celebrating another great season of sports! Some highlights of the event include: band performance, class murals, class dances, games and awards.









CHEERLEADERS

Seniors



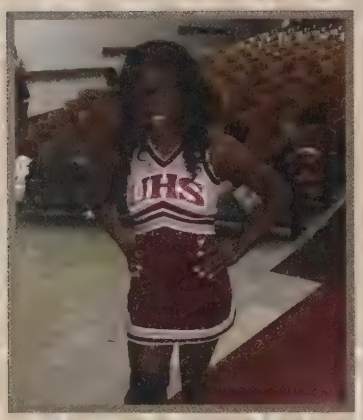
Saheemah Allen
Co-Captain
Flyer

These four years have been a great learning experience and growth as a team. It is so sad for it to come to an end.



Jaida Atkins

Being a part of this team was the best decision I could have ever made. I am glad I built new relationships that will last forever.



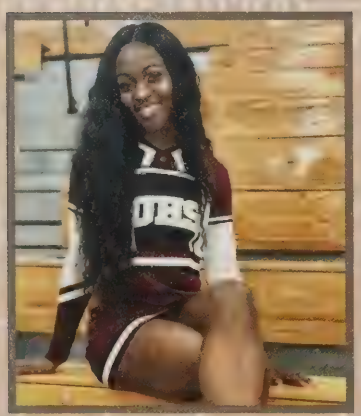
Shamonique Atwater

Cheering has been my life all of high school and I loved everything about it. The experience, amazing teammates, outstanding coaches, and fabulous supporters. I'm glad I've been a part of such a loving and hardworking team.



Aaliyah Beckford
Co-Captain
Base

Being a University High School cheerleader taught me to keep a positive mindset through it all, work as a team, and have fun. The experience was great and I'm proud to become a University Alumni Cheerleader. #2K18OUT



Grace Blay
Back Spot

Being a part of University's cheer team was like being a part of a family. Through thick and thin, we stayed committed to each other and I will definitely miss my cheer sisters.



De'Jane Dixon-James
Flyer

Doing this sport is fun and overwhelming at the same time. I enjoy being in the air and cheering on the mat. Being on the team is stressful because they want us to be our best.



Enaysia Green
Co-Captain
Base

I remember watching University cheerleaders when I was younger and that's where my love for cheer grew. I cheered 7th grade year and all of my four years of high school. The bond we built together and the amount we accomplished is amazing. It was an honor being co-captain and an honor being a part of the Uni Family. I love my cheer sisters. Best cheerleaders in Newark.
#alwaysbeenaphoenix



Destanie Jefferson-Lee
Flyer/Backspot

When someone tells you that you won't be able to do something because of your skills, you have to prove them wrong. That you're capable of anything "I can't see you as a cheerleader" look at me now.



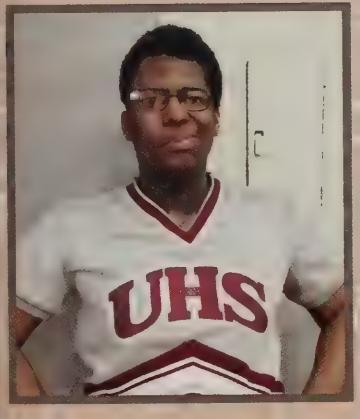
Emanni Jenkins
Captain/ Base

I've been on the varsity team for four years now and held the leadership role since my sophomore year. I have lead my team to everything that involves greatness. These years have been nothing but great.



Abbrielle
ScrevenMain,Second
base

I love my cheer sisters! We had our ups and downs but the real ones stuck with it and trusted the process. We have the best cheer squad in the world.
#Should'veBeenAPhoenix



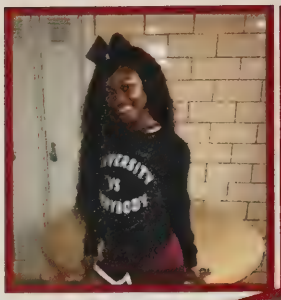
Carlos Shamburger
Back Spot

Cheerleading has always been a part of me. Being able to continue something I love is great. My first year cheering here was junior year. Being a part of this team is like being a part of a family. We all look out for each other and grow together. It was a fun experience and I'm honestly going to miss it.



Tyonnah Yarrell Side
Base

I'm sad to say that my great experience with my cheer sisters is coming to an end. We have been through a lot. I'm thankful to have met people like them. Cheering for the best school was more than a blast and the high school experience super fun, cheerful and perfect.



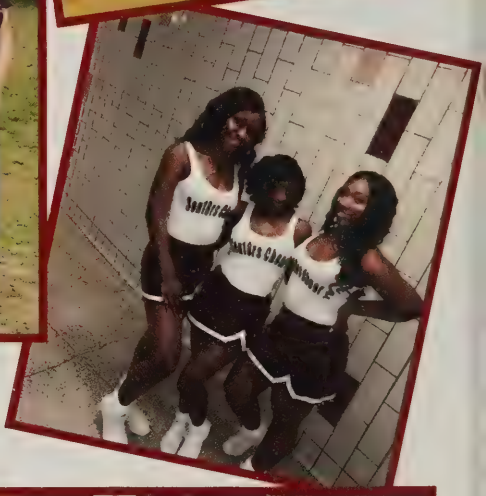









#SQUAD GOALS
SixFlags







UHS BAND



Band Dancers



Niara Council

Senior year was my first year band dancing and I can truly say that I enjoyed it. I will miss dancing with these ladies. I wish them the best in their future performances.



Alicia Gordon

Band dancing in front of the whole school was a memory I will never forget. The support I received from everyone was beautiful. I grew a relationship with the girls and will miss them dearly.

UHS BAND MEMBERS



Prince Abimah
Drum Major/Conductor

Band will always be one of my favorite extracurricular activities. A lot of leadership qualities derived from band along with disciplinary skills. BAND ATTENTION!



Ahzem Henry-Baldwin
Tuba

Playing the tuba gave me a new found respect and love for music. I wish I had one more year but now it's time to get to another beat.



Aaliyah Beckford
Clarinet

My first day of band was tough and I thought it was a disaster waiting to happen. With the help of Mr. Dixon and my classmates, it became a breeze and a fun experience at the same time. I enjoyed every minute of it but I wouldn't do it over again.



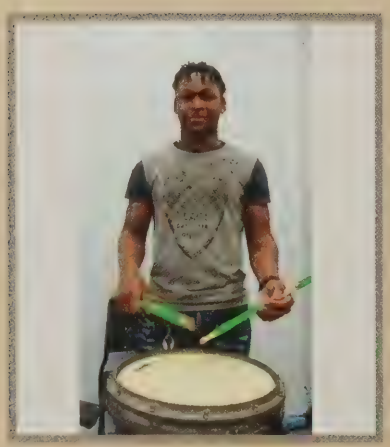
Shahid Burwell
Trumpet

UHS YOU KNOW!!!!



Dajah Dixon
Flute

There were some mixed feelings while playing the flute. I enjoyed it most of the time but sometimes I just wanted a break.



Robert Leverett
Drummer

Band is fun to be in because there are so many songs to play. You can show your feelings by playing certain songs.



Decontee Matthew
Flute

I hate band bro! I had band for four years now and I cannot wait to leave. I regret choosing this class my freshman year.



Jaris McClamb
Trumpet

This team was very great considering it taught me how to do a lot. Even though I played for only one year I have learned how to play the trumpet, learn notes, and be apart of such a great team all guided by a great music teacher.



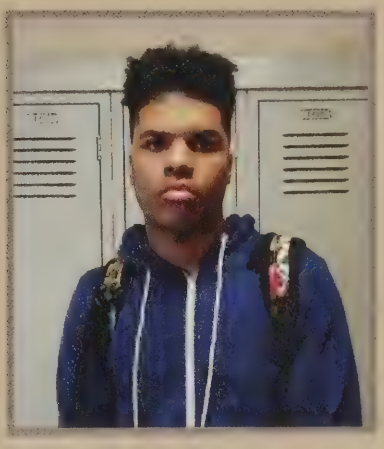
Jordan Miranda
Trumpet

It was fun.



Ty-Saiah Moss
Drummer

I have been playing the drums since freshman year. It has taught me a lot of lessons and I will miss the band group.



Khizeeq Murphy
Drummer

Playing in the band has molded me into a good drummer. I started freshman year, did not play sophomore and junior year, but came back in the end to pick it back up and excel. No regrets, thankful for the newfound skill I have mastered.



Zeinab Ouedraogo
Drummer

Although I disliked the class greatly at times, I enjoyed playing the drums.



Ja'Myra Ridley
Trumpet

It was alright.



Charington Robinson
Drummer

PHOENIX!!!



Abbrielle Screven
Drum Captain

Enjoyed my time:
Peace!



Nyleen Vargas
Clarinet/Trumpet

It was easy at first because I played the clarinet in middle school but once I switched to trumpet my senior year it was hard because there was a different finger technique and armature. The hardest thing I ever did in this class was marching and playing in sync.



Tamar Wertz
Trombone

Band wasn't always a main focus of my life. It became a greater influence on my life and I will always love music with the help of Mr. Dixon.

BOWLING



Dajah Dixon

Bowling made me very happy. I genuinely enjoyed it as well as my team and coach. The team pushed us to keep going even when we had doubt within ourselves.



Bianca Dodson
Captain

Bowling was awesome... time consuming... but awesome! Although it is a complex sport and sometimes really stressful. We laughed and joked around making memories that will stay with us forever.



Me'Ajah Jackson

My experience as a bowler was very frustrating but entertaining at the same time. Being on the team helped me to be more respectful and understanding.



Benjamin Padmore

I started bowling my junior year of high school. It was difficult at first but over time I became much better. Now University High School is NPS and Super Essex Conference Champions and it is all thanks to Ms. Dean.



Nyleen Vargas

At first bowling was weird because I didn't know you need to do a lot to keep the ball in the lane to get strikes and spares. My experience was frustrating because my hands and fingers were killing me but in the end it was fun.

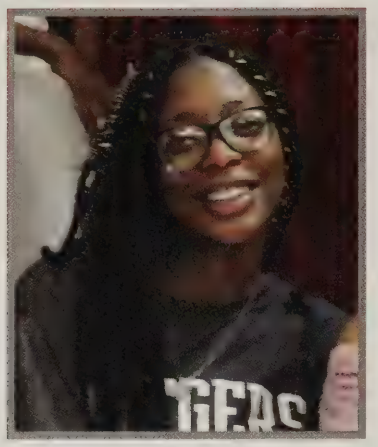


TENNIS



Inasia Belton

I enjoyed playing and making so many new friends. I was lucky enough to be co-captain my senior year and had a great time with everyone. I want to thank the tennis team for a fun experience these four years.



Blessing Briamah

I had a really hard time playing the sport however it was worth it in the end. Being on the team really humbled my confidence when it comes to my skill.



Me'ajah Jackson

I enjoyed tennis and grew to love it. Good luck with Ms. Wilson (tongue emoji)



Khaleya Kelly-Adams

The bonds and friendships that I have made with my teammates are ones that I will cherish forever. Win or lose, we had fun and I love my time on the team.



Kaylah Sewell

I really enjoyed the competition and challenge. I had so much fun being a part of the team and seeing myself grow as a player.



Aaliyah Spencer

Playing this sport with my teammates made me realize that this was a sisterhood. It was just more than a group of girls, we had a strong bond within those two months. Tennis was a sport that you can make many mistakes but practice enough and eventually you will get better.

Senior Athletes



My experience playing tennis was amazing. I thought it was going to be boring by just hitting the ball back and forth but once you actually play against another team it is challenging and fun. I hope all the new players have as much fun as I did.

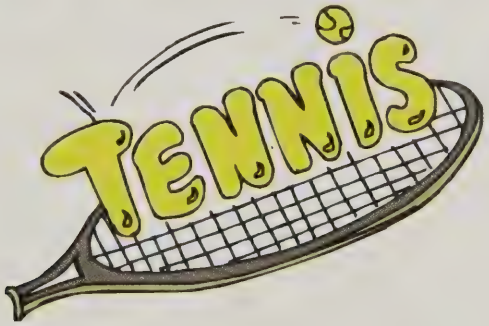
Nyleen Vargas



I enjoyed my first time playing this sport even with such a short season. This team made it great.

Diana Zamora





UHS GIRLS BASKETBALL



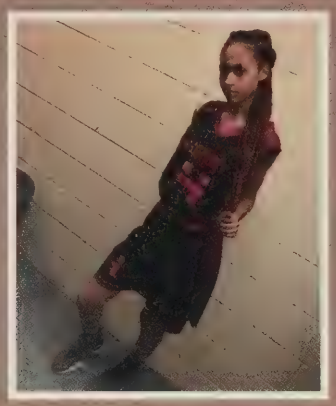
Zeinab Ouedraogo
Manager

Although this was first and only year, it was an honor being the manager of State Champs. Not only are they talented but they are hilarious. Being a part of the team was like being a part of a family.



Zakirah Graham
Guard

It was great being a champion!



Tamara Johnson
Guard

I was a part of this team all four of my high school years and it has always been the highlight of my year. Being a part of this team taught me how a team becomes a family and I will miss it so much.



Dominique Joseph
Guard

Love yall for sure for sure!



Teresa Ortiz
Shooting Guard

I love to play basketball. This game is a chance for us to be #1 in the state. I'm so excited to play the game because it's something I love to do. Being on this team is a lot and we are like family and I love every last one of them. We are State Champs!!



Amayah Powell
Center

Being on this showed me a lot about myself. I have a lot of potential to be way better than what I used to be. Being on the team was like hanging with sisters everyday all day. We grew a bond that nobody has ever seen before. We all had the same goal which made it easier to win. (30-2)



Danielle Robinson
Point Guard

Basketball was more than a sport to me so being able to play with these talented group of girls felt like a family relationship then a basketball team. It has been an honor to play basketball for University High School.

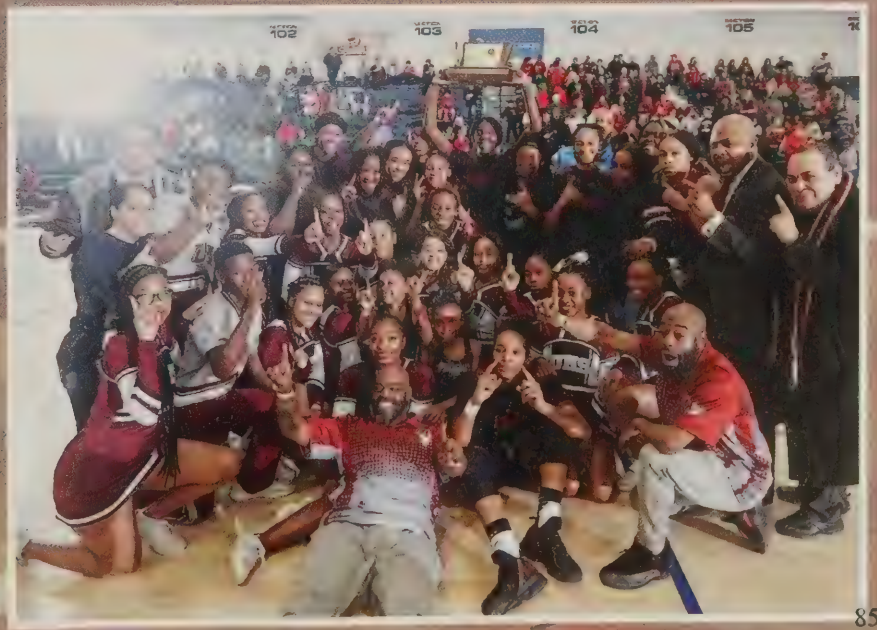


State Championship









BOYS BASKETBALL



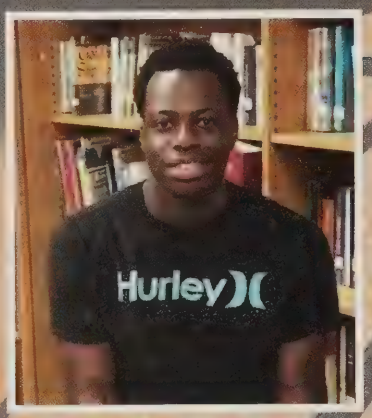
Shahid Burwell
Guard

Lesson Learned!



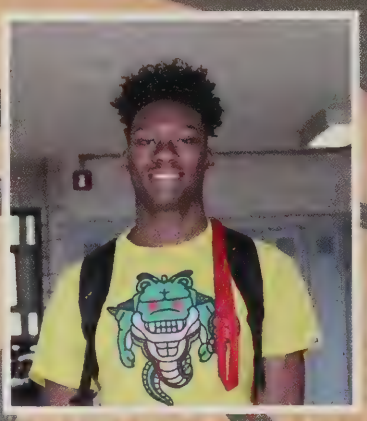
Al-Quan Dwight
Point Guard

Playing basketball was a fun experience and tiring with all the long nights and early mornings. What I love the most were the intense games where both teams scored back and forth. It's hard being on a team because it's hard to get everyone on the same page.



Ike Harcourt
Guard

Playing basketball for University was phenomenal. I got a chance to win sectionals and a state championship. But what I got out of all of it was brothers that I can count on for the rest of my life.



Ty-Saiah Moss
Forward

I've been on the team for two years and it was a humbling experience. I will miss my teammates.

Senior Athletes



Bump, Set, Kill! Manni with the bump Tara with set and Tamara or Xari with the kill. I am a conference champ!

Emanni Jenkins
Captain



When you find the love of your life, you have to expect the downfalls of it. It was really love and war when it comes down to volleyball.

Destanie Jefferson-Lee
Back Row



I was a part of this team for my senior year of high school and I wish I played all four years. I had so much fun with this team and I got to try something new and loved it.

Tamara Johnson
Hitter





It was a fun experience. I enjoyed my time with the girls and my coach.

Abbrielle Screven
Libero



VOLLEYBALL

BASEBALL



Jeanmarcos Perez
Catcher

Being on this team was an interesting experience. It was definitely a good ride though and coach Del definitely taught me a lot that helped me improve my game. The only thing is I keep injuring myself playing... I broke my nose, an elbow, dislocated a shoulder, and had a few finger jams but I had fun!



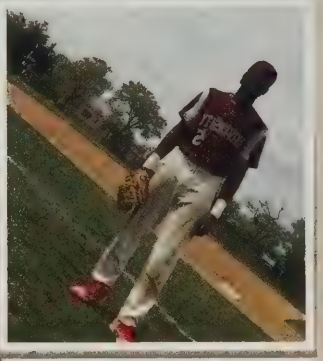
Charington Robinson
Outfield

To me, baseball reminds me to keep doing the things that I love. The passion will keep me motivated to become great.



Caleb Ware
Center Fielder

Being on the team was a great experience, it taught me to be strong, work hard, and to always remain positive. Shout out to Coach Dell-he is a really great teacher of the game spending all his time and money to make sure the team gets better one player at a time.



Tamar Wertz
Pitcher/Shortstop

Baseball was my life here at University. This will forever be the thing I love and miss most about University. I appreciate the opportunity to play here and I wish them the best of luck.



Kyle Wiggins
Varsity Outfielder

Though I only had two years with the team, I feel like I developed very quickly. I appreciate all of my coaches and teammates that were able to play with me throughout. Baseball is a game of patience and discipline, as long as you're able to conquer those then your level of play will exceed expectation.



Martha Arenas
Right Field

I had a great three years playing, especially because I had my friends and a great coach.



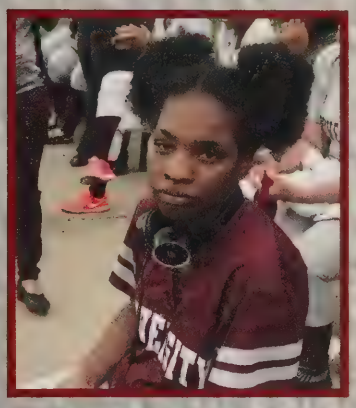
Bianca Dodson
First Base

These four years have been a rollercoaster. Coach Connolly AKA Pinky was an amazing coach and now so is coach Arroyo. I'll miss all the girls even the ones that get on my very last nerve, we had fun and I'll miss my sisters, my family.



Zakirah Graham
Pitcher

Receiving the Super Essex Conference All Team Conference in softball was a great experience due to myself knowing I'm one of the best in the sport.



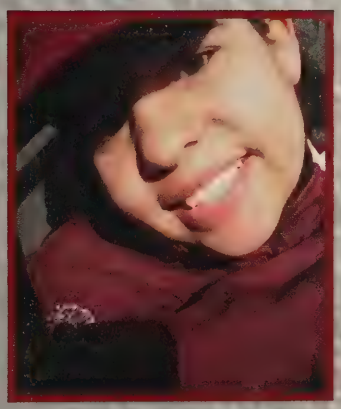
Me'Ajah Jackson
Catcher

I've had a very good time playing this sport even though sometimes it's stressful. I feel a pride being on the team and I feel like I'm making lasting connections with my teammates.



Decontee Matthew
Outfield/Courtesy Runner

My first year playing softball was sophomore year and my first year wasn't all that good or fun because I didn't know anyone at the time. I can honestly say that I grew with my team and got better. I don't regret joining softball.



Nyleen Vargas
All Positions

This was the most exciting sport I've ever played. My experience was amazing. It was a lot hard work because I played all positions and there were so many different things I had to remember but it was fun. I feel like I had a real deep connections with the girls and I wish everyone the best.

Softball

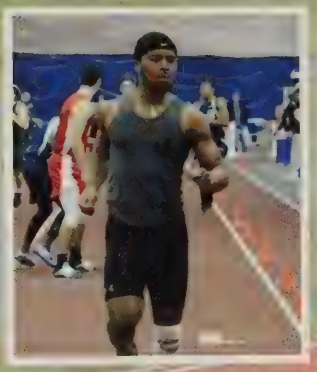
Senior Athletes

TRACK



Prince Abimah
Sprinter
Indoor Track

Track really pushed me to accomplish things I never thought I could accomplish and complete, things even though I know I didn't want to. Track always felt like family as we shared both laughs and hard times.



Clinton Adu-Agyei
Sprinter
Track & Field

The improvement I've made in this sport has been extremely unbelievable. I'm glad I was convinced to run sophomore year by Prince and I couldn't thank my coaches enough for the care they provided me and making me feel welcomed when I first came on the team and the school.



Niara Council
Captain
Indoor/Outdoor

At first, practice was hard and I was very nervous to be around high school kids that ran at more advanced levels but over time I started to run at the same level. I was determined to be the captain and succeeded. Over the years, my bond with the team has become stronger. I will miss them.



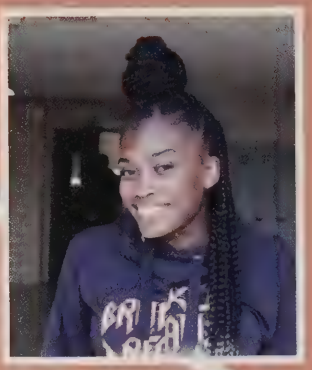
Enaysia Green
Shotput
Outdoor

I am so glad I joined track. I was scared and doubtful at first but it really made me realize my love for the sport. Great vibes, great team!



Tamara Johnson
Hurdler

Every time the school year starts I can't wait for it to almost be over just I can start outdoor track season. This time of the year is the time when I have the most fun all year because I love to run and I have made some very good friends amongst the team.



Monica Lassiter
Indoor/Outdoor

I enjoyed my short experience at track running 55m,200, and 200m relays. It was fun bonding with the team.



Jaris McClamb

This sport has been a rollercoaster full of ups and downs. A lot of late night grinds and heart wrenching moments made this sport fun and worthwhile. My teammates were fun and made my experience as a phoenix great.



Brandon Odom
Captain

Track and field was the best experience. Being able to lead a team to medals felt great. I will be continuing my track career in college.



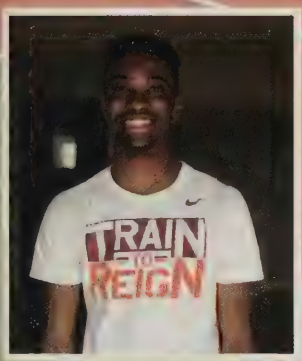
This sport is new to me because it's something I didn't know anything about but as time went on I fell in love with it and will forever love it.

Daniel Owusu
200m, 400m



I started running when I was in 8th grade. I've been running since my freshman year. It has been a lot of fun and hard work. DO IT FOR THE MEDAL!!

Da-Quan Patterson
Sprinter Captain



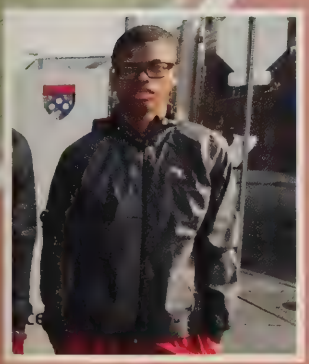
Indoor had reminded me that practice makes perfect. You can accomplish anything with the given effort.

Charington Robinson
Indoor



Starting to run track my senior year was a great experience. I was actually good at running the 200 and 55 meter dash.

Sa'Leyah Scott-Holmes
Sprinter



Everything I achieved my first year of track as a senior was due to Coach Harvey and Coach Monroe. They always pushed me to improve my form and time every practice. I am grateful for the opportunity to compete alongside a great team.

Caleb Ware
Indoor
55m, 200m, 400m





PENN RELAYS 2018

Cross Country

TRACK



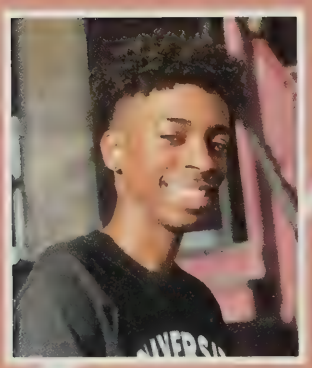
Niara Council
Captain

I had no idea what I was getting myself into with cross country. My first experience was a 2 mile race against other kids who ran before. My coach encouraged me along the way. I would like to thank my coaches for pushing me and making me the runner I am today.



Charington Robinson

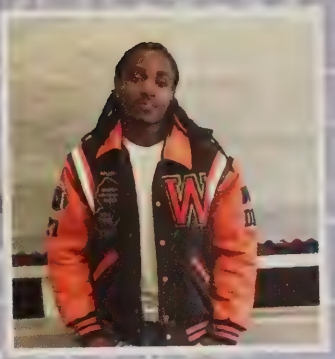
Cross country has taught me to push my limits. I learned the importance of ignoring the pain and carrying out to the finish. I had a painful but enjoyable experience.



Na'Dree Stewart

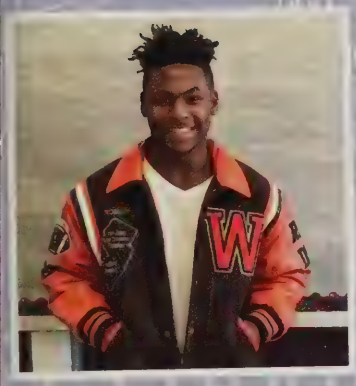
I had an awesome experience being a part of the team and practicing alongside all my teammates. We have built great friendships and pushed one another to always do their best

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It was a hard and passionate sport that taught me to never give up even in the face of impossible odds and to always strive for more.

Ahzem Baldwin-Henry
Line Backer
Weequahic High School



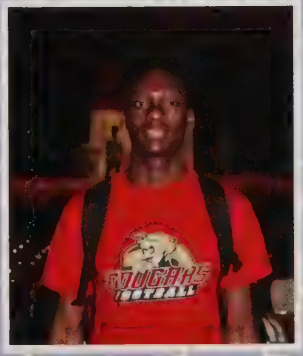
It was fun to play because there is a lot of contact. I say that because I play running back and linebacker and they take the most hits. It felt good to be part of a team that felt like family.

Robert Leverett
RB, LB, WR
Weequahic High School



FOOTBALL

FOOTBALL



I've only been playing football my senior year and ended the season with ten athletic scholarship offers. Being on West Side's team was a good experience and helped mold me into becoming a mature young man. Hopefully I set the tone for underclass and give each one HOPE.

Ty-Saiah Moss
WR, DE
West Side High School

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FOOTBALL



Byshir Desir
WR, CB
Central High School

I've been with this team two years and I look at most of them as my brothers. Even though our coaches weren't always the nicest. I really grew to love some of the guys on the team.



Brandon Odom
Cornerback
Central High School

I will miss high school football dearly. It was a great experience. I embarrassed a lot of wide receivers and I enjoyed all of it. Lol I will miss all my teammates and I will be continuing my at the next level.



Da-Quan Patterson
Outside Linebacker, WR
Central High School

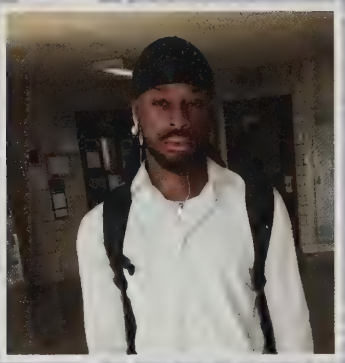
It has been fun. My four years playing have rough but it was fun every year. From camp to practice to games. They will always be my brothers.

SOCCER



Prince Abimah
LB, CM
West Side High School

Playing soccer for West Side high school was a good experience for me. It displayed the importance of making a connection with people you don't know as well as the importance of teamwork.



Clinton Adu-Agyei
Forward

It was fun being able to play my favorite sport and I appreciate all of my teammates and coaches.



Daniel Owusu
Forward

This is a sport I grew up within and I loved every moment of it. As I depart, I will always keep this sport in my heart and love it.

CHEERLEADING

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I've been a part of the Blue Devil family for three years now and it was hard through all the ups and downs but I pushed through it. It was an amazing experience. I learned so much and had the honor of coming 1st at Six Flags!! #memories

Enaysia Green
Base
Central High School



It was a great experience as it strengthened my leadership skills. It was nice to have a team that depended on me. I was also honored to lead my team to several victories during competition season.

Ja'Myra Ridley
Captain
Central High School



My four years of cheer was extremely fun. The best part was bonding with other cheerleaders and my coach. The cheerleaders became my sisters and my coach became my second mom. I can't wait to continue cheering in college.

Ayonna Wallace
Central High School

SENIOR FAREWELLS

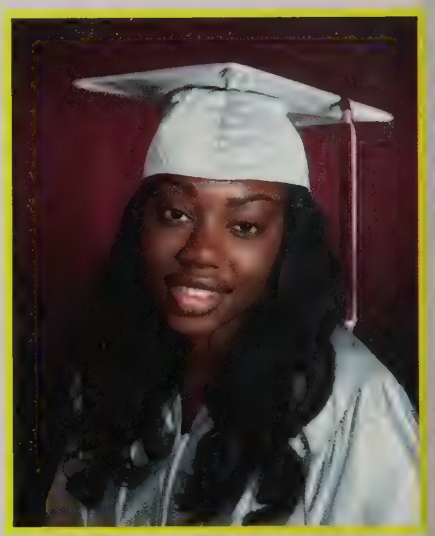
"I have to say goodbye to things in order to take on bigger things that I've alwalys wamted to do"
- Mahershala Ali



Prince Abimah

I don't really have anything to say but...don't ever make friends with a Jamaican nurse; I don't really have anything to say but... I finessed my way through high school in every possible way; I don't really have anything to say but... I remember when I got caught playing dice in the hallway my sophomore year; I don't really have anything to say but... I remember when Shahid, Da-Quan, and I made some eighth grader volunteer to hop inside the garbage can, and in the process, he tipped over with garbage can; I don't really have anything to say but... Class of 2018... we outta here!

My four years of high school have shaped and defined me to a great extent. You wouldn't believe the progress I've made and the obstacles I've overcome, and I owe it all to myself. Without maturity and self determination you won't make it far in life.



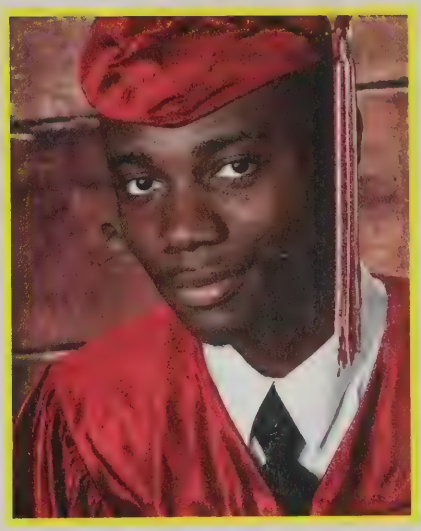
Karin Adams



Clinton Adu-Agyei

It really does feel as though I've been in high school forever but at the same time it feels like just yesterday I was a freshman at West Side High School. The time spent in high school has helped me mature in ways that have developed my character in a way I never imagined. All the hardships like waking up in the middle of the night to do my homework; because, I was too tired from a game to do it after school. It all helped improve me as a person. As I move on I'm hoping to further my education and my athletic career. Knowing all the challenges that lie ahead I know I'm well prepared since I've been able to deal with all the challenges of high school.

Reaching this point in life, I embarked from old to a new. Unfortunately, this prompts me to depart from my fellow lower classmen and graduate with my loyal seniors. A lesson of advice to the lowerclassmen is to follow your aspirations, and complete the tasks presented to you in order to succeed in life. Whether you plan on attending a college campus or begin working after attaining your high school diploma, as long as you strive for success, not procrastinate and make great decisions, I doubt there will be any financial obstacle for you to overcome!



Chimazuru Akagha



Saheemah Allen

UHS has been through so many changes since 7th grade year. Shout out to those who've been in this building burning up for 6 years ! We are finally graduating so let's celebrate looking back on lessons learned, adventures shared, good times you've known. To my teachers who may have been a pain but you helped me in the long run and without you I wouldn't have made it this far. As we leave high school don't forget who got us through this everyone's best friend google.



Dwight Ankle

The last four years went by very fast, honestly I am very happy to leave, but I won't miss it. I have to admit that I've gained a lot from here and my experiences in high school. High school to me is basically the beta free trial pre college. We did all this just to do another 4 years in the next school. I'm not complaining though. So now I'm excited to be outta here and be on to bigger better things. Mad love for everybody reading this, peace out!!!!

Thank you to all my family and friends for our love and support.
Class of 2018, Good Luck!

"If you're brave enough to say goodbye, life will reward you with a new hello." -Paulo Coelho



Martha Arenas



Shardea Armstrong

I can't say that I am extremely proud to be a University High School graduate. Except for the very few teachers that I did adore, I was told when I first started my high school journey that all my "friends" wouldn't remain my friends and it was the truest words I've heard. School is for education so make sure you receive it while you can. I thought being outspoken was okay and in reality that was not true so be humble, and although I don't like the school I will never forget the lessons it taught. Farewell!



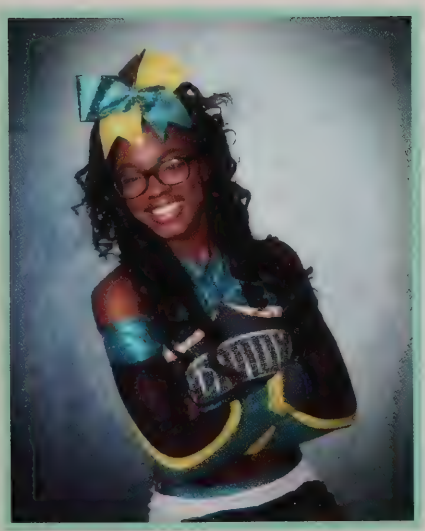
First and foremost, I'll like to thank Ms. Lara, for being patient with me and going out her way to get things done for me. If it wasn't for your brilliant recommendation I probably wouldn't be going to JHU. To the Class of 2018, May your journey be that of valor. May you find the mountain that is right for you. Give and receive support along the way, be patient and persevere through the ups and downs that you will face. And importantly learn to enjoy the journey you are about to embark upon. Always remember where you're going, but never forget where you came from. All the very best! Goodbye.

Abena Asante

Throughout all of my years at University high school,senior year has by far been the best. From getting away from bad energy to finding True Friends and becoming apart of the best CHEER TEAM in Newark.I am just so happy to say it's finally over it's time to close this chapter and start Fresh.



Jaida Atkins



"I don't usually smile this much... I'm graduating so I had to. Bye bye, Uni."

Shamonique Atwater



"It doesn't matter if you have five friends or five hundred friends. When it all comes down to it, popularity means nothing. All that matters is that you know those five will be there holding your hand, as the five Hundred walk by."-anonymous

Jefferson Avila

I finished my last year at a new school (University) that's really crazy to me. But it was like it wasn't really a new school because I knew mostly everybody so I wasn't uncomfortable. One thing I can say about University is that the teachers really made sure you get a good understanding of the work. I really felt like I was learning in all my classes. Aye Alicia and China, we made it! Now, we gotta get college out the way.



Sabir Baker



I did what I could with effort no ease; I tried my best in search of success. My pride follows me written on my chest; in these years I found I was more than blessed. My ears will go deaf, if you dare try to say; I wasn't the best.

Ahzem Baldwin-Henry



It's been a long/short four years of my life. Long because of the endless pages of homework, boring books we had to read, begging for extra credit at the end of semesters, petty drama, and early awakenings. Short because of the friendships that will last a lifetime, the long lasting memories, and the lessons that shaped me into who I am today. Good or bad, the motivation to finish off strong never changed and will never change until I've reached the top.

Kaiya Bargaineer

Everything pays off in the end. The first few days, even months, of high school might stress you out but remain neutral through it all. Know who and not to keep in your company. Ask for help even when you might think you don't need it. You'll grow through what you go through. Remain humble, stay loyal to those close to you, keep a positive mindset, and work to your full potential. I wish you all the best with anything y'all set y'all minds towards and buckle up for a ride through adulthood!!



Aaliyah Beckford



Honestly, I cannot wait to leave this school and not have people call me on Sunday nights asking for homework. I cannot wait to leave this school and not have to help the nurse when I should be learning or enjoying my summer. I cannot wait to leave this school and change my number. But I will miss the people I made meaningful relationships with throughout my 6 years of attending this school. Although I cannot wait to leave this school, I can honestly say the people here that I have basically grown up with have helped shape me into the person I am today and for that I am extremely grateful.

Jnasia Belton



I'm such a lit individual and I'm only a senior catch me in a few years. I will definitely be a big deal. But overall over these 4 years I've grown so much as a person and love the ground I walk on. Maybe in a few years I'll ride past one of you at the bus stop or something... Anyways Saa dott deeya just getting started babyyyy .. I really can't wait until I'm taking trips and living the lavish life I'm bound to live. Yeah y'all can hold a dollar, LOL!!!!!

Sadeeya Bentham

As the legendary Lil Kim once said, "When you're great, not everyone's going to give you your props and you really can't worry about that." You don't see Gucci worrying about Louie, so I don't bother worrying about others opinions. I don't like to lose, and always strive for the best. I don't like being told no and if I am, I'll find another way to get my yes as most of you already know. It's been a fun four years and thank you all for paving my way to top 5 and the best four years of my life so far.



Grace Blay



Brian: Kelly (walking dictionary); Basket case: Blessing; Princess:Rosendy (thinks she is always right); Weirdo: Ascah "Jake from adventure time laugh"; Criminal: Janaya (brutally honest); principal: Mr.Defalco (funniest teacher); Athlete: Nyleen (makes the best brownies); Lover boys: Azhem vs Dwight (p.s. Dwight won); Model Student: Inasia (the true holder of 1st); Bag: Khadijah (was there for the last two week); Cool: Dajah (always got snacks); Crown: Royal Grace (even though you were never there and always annoying); Trash: Prince (Mr.2nd place); University High school's Breakfast club in Mr.Defalco´s class was always fun.

Blessing Braimah



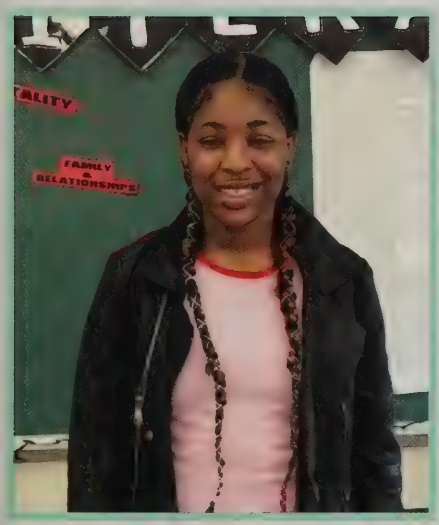
I don't know what to write so I'm going to just say anything. My six year sentence is almost over. I've been locked up in this place forever, but it helped me mature. Being around these crazy kids and these teachers really taught me how life outside is going to be. From the in school detention everyday to getting chased by security guards and big girls. Now just doing my work and being on the principal's list every cycle is a great way to mature. But I'll be home real soon man, the wait is over. It's going to get real dark for people when I touch down.

Shahid Burwell

Queen Nefertiti is leaving her palace. I am glad; I am finally graduating and able to begin a new chapter of life. I am grateful for the teachers that have taught school lessons as well as life lessons. I appreciate everyone who has supported me, especially my encouraging mother, for helping to aid me get to where I am today. I will carry my experiences of high school with me as I excel in college.



Nefertiti Cooper



Overall, this has been a rough four years of high school. On my libra scale, I can say things weighed evenly. I gained some friends and lost some. Made some smart decisions and some bad ones. Went to class and skipped some. Mastered some class and barely passed some.. Moral of the story is I graduated.

Malaysia Cotton



I can't believe 6 years can go by so fast it feels like just yesterday I was walking into university high school as a 7th grader although I have had 3 different principals and many different teachers I will never forget what each of them has taught me I've gained friends and I've also lost friendships but my time at University high will never be forgotten #Phoenixforever

Niara Council

Life is what you do to be successful, so always try to achieve the impossible. You are the driver to your path, you control your path. Never settle for less always reach as far as possible because there is no limit to success. And make sure you don't forget about where you came from and reach out to people, make sure you help someone else become successful because as the minority we need to all rise together not separate forever.



Fantaysha Cuadrado



I want to wish all my classmates a farewell and the best of luck. I'm not a very big fan of this school I kind of enjoyed myself here these past six years of being a Phoenix. All my years here I've probably only really loved two of my teachers. I want to give a big shout out to Mr. DeFalco, my boy deserves a raise and teacher of the year. Seriously, he is one of the coolest teachers to ever have and it was a privilege to have him as a teacher. Don't forget to follow a young god on IG at no limit.bah

Byshir Desir



They asked me to write something so here it is: SOMETHING lol just kidding. As you graduate today don't forget to thank those who got you here.... Google, Wikipedia, and copy & paste. Valuable lessons are hidden everywhere all it takes is a good teacher to show them where to look. Take pride in how far you have come and have faith in how far you can go! My sentence is finally up I'm finally free, class of 2018 peace.

De'Jane Dixon-James

These six years... were interesting, I suppose. Actually I am lying, they were trash. I am going to keep it real there was too much unnecessary drama, it was pretty boring and not to be rude to anyone I did not like or know 80% of you...*insert stank face here*. I am pretty SHOOK about that. If I have learned anything from this experience is that life sucks and it gets better when you get to leave this horrid place where you got called a stripper by the principal. Anywho I ACTUALLY WISH YOU ALL WELL!



Bianca Dodson



NY is 3 hours ahead of Cali but that doesn´t make Cali slow; Someone graduated at the age of 22, but waited 5 years before securing a good job; Someone became a CEO at 25, and died at 50 while one became a CEO at 50 and live to 90; Obama retired at 55 while Trump started at 70; Everyone in this world works on THEIR OWN TIME ZONE; People around you might seem to be ahead of you and some might seem behind you; But everyone is running their own Race, in their own TIME; Do not envy them and don't mock them; Life is about waiting for the right moment for you to act; So Relax; You're not late; You're not early; You're on time.

Al-Quan Dwight



Eliezer Fernandez

"What is that feeling when you're driving away from people and they recede on the plain till you see their specks dispersing? – it's the too-huge world vaulting us, and it's good-bye. But we lean forward to the next crazy venture beneath the skies." - anonymous

Goodbye Class of 2018; it was nice knowing you!

No soft words... I feel like I've known yall forever. We been through a lot these four years and managed to not kill each other. A class that cheats together passes together shout out to Our Group chat! Y'all already know how we rocking 33 shots and we poppin SETTTTT! And I'm just so happy we finally out of here! When I'm famous I won't forget y'all... YUPPPPP!



Alicia Gordon



Zakirah Graham

Wow! I remember the first day I walked into University High School. Seeing new faces, being in a new environment, and starting off fresh. It was a new beginning for me. It was like closing a door from the past and opening a new door to the future. But I can honestly say I enjoyed my highschool years here. It was fun and I learned a lot of things and this was just an experience to have me ready for the real world.



Enaysia Green

University High School.. I remember receiving my acceptance letter and being so happy because I would be considered one of the "smart kids" . Oh how things changed. I remember in bridge when I met Inasia, my 1st friend. I remember being apart of University's first and last middle school cheerleading team. I remember eighth grade basketball. I remember becoming best friends with Nadree. I remember starting "sissyyyyyy" with Emanni. I remember entering 9th grade and feeling like nothing changed. Just a few new faces. And finally I remember my last first day of High School. Though these last four years haven't been the best it'd be four years I'll never forget.

We are really seniors it seem like I was just a freshman. Mr. Julien, you know you my favorite I´m going to miss you. Every since I became a University student I realized I don't have any friends, friends are not for me. When you get into high school all you have to do is be focus on your education, not who your friends are.



Ikea Greene



Ike Harcourt

I don't really have a farewell message but high school went by honestly fast. I wont really miss a lot of people but I'm gonna say I'll miss everyone anyway and to be great at whatever you strive to do after high school. Hopefully I win the lottery so I can just be done with everything. Also shout out to my little brother Justin and Tristin big things coming for them. Mamba out lol.



Dear Students of University High School, the time has finally come. The end term marks a very important stage in your lives. As you graduate high school and move on to a higher education and the workforce, you will encounter new challenges and set new goals that will propel you into a future with a lifetime of earnings. Throughout my four years of high school, I am proud to say that I have made many connections and strong bonds that has helped shape me into the person I am today. So long Class of 2018!

Najir Haywood

When I received my acceptance to University High School I cried. This was not due to happiness or joy, but the exact opposite. I did not want to attend school here, but I don't regret a single moment, including all the bad hair days. Yes, even after Jean, Shamonique, Caleb, Tamara, and Imani, would "roast" me. They made everyday in school a little more bearable, even after every staff member in the school told me to take my hat off. With my last twenty words, I need to shout out debate for taking me out of the state every weekend.



Ryan Hemnarine



Being that I was new in University, I didn't really know anybody but as time went by I started making new friends and leaving them will hurt because we're all going to go our separate ways. I'm going to miss Ikea because when I first came she was the first person to talk to me and really introduced me into the school so that's a little shout out to her. There were more people that actually took the time out to help me out. Saying bye to this school is going to be hard but it'll be worth it.

Janae Hughey



I've been in this school for six years. Wow. I can honestly say that time has gone by so fast. It feels like I was just in ninth grade thinking this was about to be easy then next thing you know I'm failing most my classes. However, though I went from skipping classes and slacking my first two years so I could hang with my friends to barely having a social life because of sports, homework, tutoring, and etc. Everything I've done and gone through, both good and bad, have shaped me to be who I am today and that's focused on their future. Even though I can't wait to experience life after high school I'm saddened to be leaving some of the staff like my homeboy DeFalco and Lockett and my father Mr. Hood.

Me'ajah Jackson

I've been here at University for 6 years and now I am excited to see how it feels to be a college student. Bye.



Jatyana Jackson



Thinking about it, high school went by fast. I actually enjoyed it too. The highs and lows. But It seem like I was in here forever. It was stressful. But it will be missed. Being here for 6 years, I've grown and matured. High school was the best and worst experience at the same time. Now I'm off to college and it seems like everything flew by. I couldn't wait for It to end and now it's the end. But this is just the beginning.

Destanie Jefferson-Lee



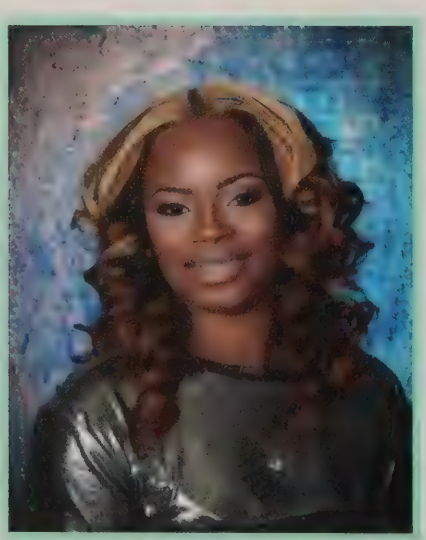
There's nothing easy about the real world. If you want to do something nobody else can, just do you. You want something? Go for it. Nobody's going to give free rides in life. Build what's in your liking and not what's in anyone else's. Only you can work hard for your own success. If you have a dream, chase it, because then you will have a view of what you would want to see in the end. Believe it or not, you determine your destiny, nobody else does.

Aaron Jenkins

What in haven't I already said to all of you in the past six years? Since I must say something... to the lil bitties that go out their way to bump me in the hall, you are going to feel me in about three years- to the lames who keep my name rolling off your tongues, you op too - to sissy, they are going to love up a little different when we are at the top!
#getmoneyteam



Emanni Jenkins



I've only been at University for 3 years and I've grown to become close with so many people. I was always told the same people you first meet or walk into high school with won't be the same people you walk out with! Senior year has to be the best for me this far. But I'll miss all of you those who BMS and those who didn't I wish y'all well.

Jada Johnson



All this pain man I feel like I can't hold it, I can't swim but I'm deep off in that ocean, I go to sleep with my jewelry, when I wake up I just smile how I flex it, I know test me wish they could catch me, I thank the lord that he blessed me. All this pain man I feel like I can't hold it, gone off lean and you know that I be on it, I aint slippen boy you knowing that I'm focus. Flytime Primetime I'm ballin hard sidelinee.

Majid Johnson

I wish everyone the best in life. Don't let anyone stop you from achieving your goal in life.



Jamara Johnson



Most of us came into this school not knowing anyone, others came with friendships already formed. Different groups, different personalities, but in a way, we formed a connection whether it was asking for things, being in the same classes, having a mutual friend, or somehow randomly starting up a conversation. When we leave here we should reflect on friendships we lost and friendships we gained. But friendships were not the only thing we, the class of 2018, gained. We gained experience, we gained knowledge, some a new start and most importantly we gained a few steps closer to success.

Serenity Jones



I've gained many great friends that I consider as family and I'm very thankful for them. Special shoutout to my best friend LiKilla , my sisters, RHManni and Lay, my teammates and my brother Khi for being there for me no matter the situation. I've grown so much as a person and matured a lot throughout these 4 years at University. I'm proud of myself and all of my friends for all the great things we've accomplished, this is only the beginning.

Dominique Joseph

It's been four years; we FINALLY MADE IT! Good Luck to all you guys in your future careers.



Khaleya Kelly-Adams



It's been a long along six years at University High School. I'm just happy to be done with all of the toxic energy. I'll see y'all when I'm successful. Bless up!

Monica Lassiter



I have had a good four years here at UHS; I would like to thank my teachers for everything they have done for me. My classmates for being good friends. Hope your four years have been good as well and the next four years are also good.

Robert Leverett

Entering freshman year I was ugly and my "friends" were uglier. But I'm honestly such a great person. It's always good vibes. Ya dig? Those who I've become close to will know and all the others who I don't like, I'll drive pass y'all. No, I won't give you any money when I stop at the red light or give you a ride to Welfare when you're running late. Sorry, Not Sorry. Besides that, shout out to everyone in the the class of 2018.

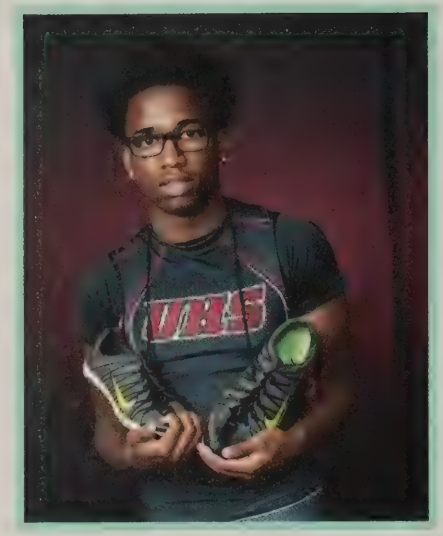


Dayanara Martinez



Some of ya'll see me as quiet and some don't even know me or my name..BUT WATCH SON!!!..Give me 5 to 10 years I'm going to be the trillest. I'm going to be successful and EXTRA THICK you feel me?... Ya'll probably reading this like "why you lying?" For those who don't believe in me you better go head. Don't worry though I'm not going to change I'm still going to be humble and when all this comes true I'm going to be blowing kisses to my haters....Ya dig?

Decontee Matthew



Live the life you best imagined and work towards your goal no matter how difficult it may seem. Always remember to believe in yourself even when it seems like the odds are against you.

Jaris McClamb

I've been attending University for six years, the longest I've be attended any school before and the people that I've met here have impacted my life greatly. I've met some of my best friends here; they have taught me to push myself further than I've ever thought I could and have taught me what it means to be a good friend. I've also met teachers who have taught me to believe in myself and to be more positive and determined and for that, I'm truly thankful.



Kelly McIntyre



I want to say that my six years at this school were really fun and have included some of the best moments of my life. I am going to miss some of my teachers and most of my friends. I want to give a shout out to all my principles over the six years, all my friends and everyone in my life. Shout out to Pamela Phillips. High School has been fun and I am glad I'm leaving. Peace out everyone.

Jordan Miranda



They say people build walls up to see if anyone would care enough to knock em down... if you change the way you think, you change the way you feel. When you change the way you feel, you change the way you act. When you change the way you act, you change your life, but if it won't matter in 5 years don't waste 5 minutes stressing about it. The best way to predict the future is to create it. True goodbyes are the ones never said or explained.

Amber Moses

Yeah, and if you come from under that water then there's fresh air; Just breathe, baby, God's got a blessing to spare; Yes I know the process is so much stress; But it's the progress that feels the best; Cause I came from the projects straight to success; And you're next, so try they can't steal your pride, it's inside; Then find it and keep on grinding; Cause in every dark cloud, there's a silver lining, I know....



Jy-Saiah Moss



During my 4 years of high school I have witnessed myself grow into the intelligent, easy going, and cool young man that I am today. I developed great associations and relationships along the way with peers and teachers that helped me become greater. I like to shout out a few ladies: Alicia, my sister Dom, Malaysia, Sadeeya, Aaliyah, Danielle, for helping my experience be fun. High school had its funny moments and worst but all and all I'm glad to graduate, you feel me. I'll stay in touch, it's all love. Remember, "believe in yourself, who else is going to believe in you?" It'll get you far in where you want to be. Stay blessed, and be easy.

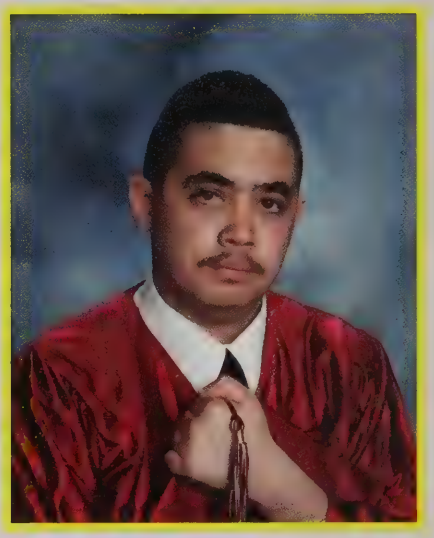
Khizeeq Murphy



When I stepped foot in this building I never thought I would have as many friends as I do now. Even the teachers I have taught me more than what I thought I would learn in their classroom. We'll soon be leaving for college and most likely never see each other again, it's sad really, but I'll never forget the memories and bonds I've formed with everyone. I'll take the bonds I've made with my friends and the many things my teachers have taught me to college.

Edwin Nieto

Goodbye Class of 2018! It's been fun seeing you here at UHS but it's time to say farewell.



Andrew Orta



My name is Teresa Ortiz also known for RG . Can't wait 'till I get famous in a couple years after I finish playing pro basketball. Cash out everyday I'm gonna live to the fullest 'till I'm in a grave, that's a fact. I want to thank all my teachers, coaches and family for not giving up on me. Shoutout Lee2x

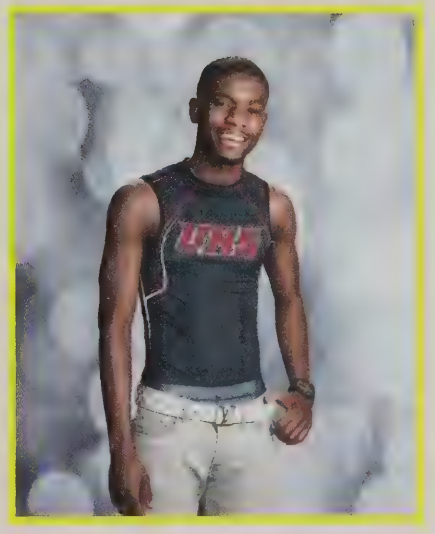
Teresa Ortiz



I enjoyed these past six years at University. Time really flew and I built relationships that I hope will last forever. I bid you all a farewell and good luck because now the real challenge begins. A big shoutout to DeFalco, Ruesta, Hood, and Bennie and Blake. Me and my Siamese made it. YUPPP!!!

Zeinab Ouedraogo

In the last 4 years what I have learned from high school is whether or not you are small or big, popular or nobody will remember who you are unless you leave a legacy of your own that set an impact. To the class below me.. Stay focus and keep grinding because life out of high school will treat you like nemo in the middle of the ocean.



Daniel Owusu



I have been at this school for 6 years and it has been fun. Thank you to all the teachers for helping me advance in my education but now I have to move on. I hope all my fellow classmates have a good year in college or whatever they do.

Da-Quan Patterson



Usually they expect us to write something inspirational for our quote... I'm not that type of dude. Shout-out to Coach Del for keeping me on track and Shout-out Mr. Arroyo for being the coolest teacher in University. At this point I just need to take up space so I'm going to give some advice if your an underclassmen reading this sometime in the future. Enjoy it because senior year gonna hit you like that hurricane hit Puerto Rico. And the cafeteria water fountain has the coldest water when it works. And the vending machine also tends to steal your money.

Jeanmarcos Perez

Honestly, I'm sorry to everyone I disappointed due to my excessive lack of interest in school; I'm still working on that. Thank you to Kyleea, Diana, Bianca, Tatyana, and Kiara for being the ones I could turn to when I needed help. I love you all. Thank you for helping me balance my company and school at the same time. Thank you for supporting my antics when no one else would. No one is better at being friends than you all.



Meagan Pichardo



I won't say farewell to anyone because I know there's a possibility of running into most of you in the future. What I will say is that I hope lady luck smiles on us all in our next goals. Until next time!

Rahquan Pierce



"I'm a state champ....my name stamped "

Amayah Powell



It's 8:26 am and of course I'm writing this last minute. Writing this farewell was hard for me because I have nothing to say, no goodbyes, no I miss you cute little sayings; nothing. I'll probably never talk to some of you again. I didn't like everyone except the ones I truly rock with no names just in case 20 years later I won't like you and I won't regret this. Can't forget my members UniSzn y'all loyal! "Always stay gracious best revenge is your paper" - Beyoncé

Rahyanna Powell-Bouie



My first year here was a crazy experience. I always wondered what would happen if I did things a different way. If I was ¨down¨ with the wrong crowd I would be messing up my whole life. I realized that it's okay just to be yourself no matter what anybody says. I never really cared about trying to fit in. I always been myself and never changed for anybody.

Larry Ransdell



Ja'Myra Ridley

"What is that feeling when you're driving away from people and they recede on the plain till you see their specks dispersing? – it's the too-huge world vaulting us, and it's good-bye. But we lean forward to the next crazy venture beneath the skies."

Hey...It's Me, Danielle... Danielle Robinson The Greatest Superstar to come out of University High school. When I become even more famous, I promise I won't forget any of you guys. Shoutout to the class of 2018, the teachers that never gave up on me and my coaches. Y'all made me become the superstar I am today but just remember one thing.... Never give up on your dreams, you can achieve anything you put your mind to. Trust me, you're hearing this from a star.



Danielle Robinson



Rosendy Rodriguez

Goodbye, adiós, Ahoj,Vaarwel,vale,paalam,Heippa,Au Revoir, Auf Wiedersehen, bless, viszontlátásra, a la perchenne, WALLOON, a rvey, ki ça vos våye bén, a themlilith, ar thoufath, kim dhilahna,adeus, Guinea-Bissau, Mozambique, adeus, até à próxima, adika yoyla, agur, ez adiorik, adiosu, a nos bìdere, a si biri, adiós, hasta la vista, hasta luego, nos vemos, Andorra, a reveure, Bonaire, Curaçao, ajoadiós, adieu, addio, adeus, aloha, arrivederci, ciao, auf Wiedersehen, au revoir, bon voyage, sayonara. See y'all in the afterlife!!!



There will always be doubters, as well as critics and non believers, who will only notice your mistakes and what you fail at. You just have to rise after each fall. Correct your mistakes. Improve after it all and when there is thunder become the lightning. People who consider you as weak, just didn´t see what your capable of, and when they least expect you to shine, come out as the strongest one and prove them wrong.

China Rogers

Whenever I say anything about myself, I soon realize I become the exact opposite. Talking about myself will only result in me becoming more of a nuisance.



Adrian Saliva



I cant wait to leave this school and never see any of you guys again. Except for like 3 of you, or 2, or none, idk.

Khadijah Scott



I WILL MISS...our stories- our jokes- our hugs and our smiles- our laughter- our giggles- our out of the box thinking- our ideas- our voice reading out loud- our singing and dancing- our willingness to try new things- our faces when we accomplish a goal- our incredible questions- the connections we make each day- our kindness- our friendship- our desire to be the best- our imagination and creativity- our smile- our class of 2018.....YOU!!!!

Sa'Leyah Scott-Holmes

Well, well, well. The time has come, we have to depart and go our separate ways. I will be so devastated not to see SOME of your faces, but so excited to leave. How ironic. Shoutout to Mr. Defalco you are my favorite teacher, I will always remember your "HMONG".



Abbrielle Screven



So, I have been here for six years.....Yikes!! I thought I would enjoy this place but honestly truly.... This too much and since I'm being honest this school made me realize that I don't like alot of people. Not gonna lie, I did have some fun here and there and actually made some memories. Goodbye everyone, I'll remember you all in therapy. This is the easiest goodbye I have ever done and this school brought out a lot of aggression, so I am glad I'm leaving.

Carlos Shamburger

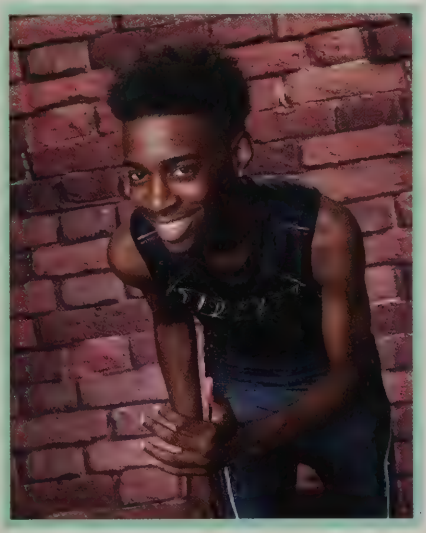


Travonte Solomon

The last four years have flown by so fast. Just 3 years ago we were freshmen getting lost around the building, and not knowing anyone. Now 3 years later, we became a family. We overcame so many things through the past years, but now we come together as a whole. I will miss all of the classmates and teachers especially the most important people in my life. Having Janaya, Blessing, Inasia, Dajah, Kelly, and Nyleen in my life completely changed my high school years for the better, and I will miss them.

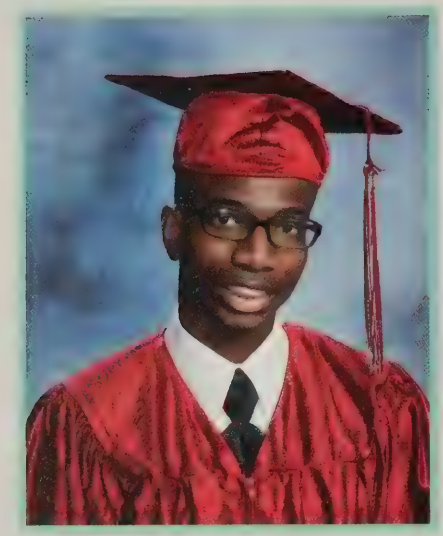


Aaliyah Spencer



Na'Dree Stewart

High school was crazy, but like fun crazy. Spending years here shaped me into someone I'm actually proud to be. I walked into this school being that hyper kid who could never calm down and was told to grow up (multiple times). I had to adjust so that I could still be me and follow "rules". Even with the negativity that high school brought, I still got through to the end with the help of genuine friends and the power to ignore. I just really want to say, I will be more than what everyone thinks, and NEVER underestimate me.



Wow! I cannot believe I made it this far. I mean, the fact that I was capable of enduring high school with little to no interest

Darren Thomas

To be honest, the first week of freshman year was a disappointment because I really thought it was going to be like "High School Musical" but I got use to it. These years went by pretty quick because I still remember the Summer Bridge and everything we did. I really believed that I wasn't going to pass high school because all of the bad grades I had freshman year. I'm really glad that I have, and I hope to still be friends with the people who helped me throughout the years. #Breakfastclub<$#%#$>>



Kyleen Vargas



Though I missed my first year as a Phoenix my last three years of being a Phoenix was nothing but complicated. I really disdain this school but I had great times with people I've met here. We're not suppose to come to school for just friends, but friends play a big part in high school. I've learned a lot attending this school. Well, I've learned a lot about people going to University. Farewell University, you will NOT be missed!

Ayonna Wallace



I think they should make a statue of my face at the entrance of the school and name all the facilities after me... just saying it's an idea... Ugh, I got nothing; I'm just glad to be out of here. Shout outs to my baseball coach, Dell-my English teachers: Mrs. Ruesta and Mr. Hood and my mom. Ya'll were the best. Yeah, that's it....I'm done.

Caleb Ware

High School wasn´t as exciting as I thought it would be. It was rather boring. The school work was great, but the school wasn´t exciting.



Justin Watkins



I want to wish everyone in the Class of 2018 good luck. Remain humble and stay focused, you are as happy as you let yourself be. Never let anyone break you down, or stop you from being the best you, you can be. Fight for what you believe in and prosper in whatever you want, need, or have to do.

Jamar Wertz



Demani Wiggins

This year was an eye opener, One thing I can say about this year is that it was filled with nothing but blessing and good vibes from my family and friends. I would be lying if I said that going to a new school senior year is easy because it's not. I would like to thank my mother for one, not losing hope in her child because, there was a time where I was ready to throw the in towel. I would also like to thank my father, for just being in my life and guiding me as I grew up and started making grown up decisions. My grandmother for being my shoulder to cry on when I felt overwhelmed and always having my back no questions asked. Last but not least, I want to give a huge thank you to one of my closest friends, Nashira Brown thank you for being a good friend. Thank you all for being here as I grew up and graduated highh school.
Love, Demani.

BYE, Later,Au revoir,Peace, Have a good one, Take it easy,Hasta la Vista,Despedida,Adios,Te veo despues,Adeus,Tchau,,Adieu,Au Revoir,Arrivederci,Addio,Ciao,Buona sera,La revedere,Pa,Auf Wiedersehen,Bis dann,Bis bald,Tschau,Ade,Vi ses,demain,Farvel,vi snakkes,Totsiens,Baai,Tot wederom, Tot weersiens,Ahoj,Nasvidenje,Alvida,Namaste,So long, Take care, Deuces.



Kyleea Womack



Tyon Yarrell

It has been a long and productive year- with the work and new friendships and enemies and all the competition on who was better than who academically or had the best whatever- but we made it with the help of the teachers and faculty. There were some things that I would change but it's not like anyone really cares so I'll just say that it I'm glad to finally be out and and on to my next step- college to achieve my goals.



Diana Zamora

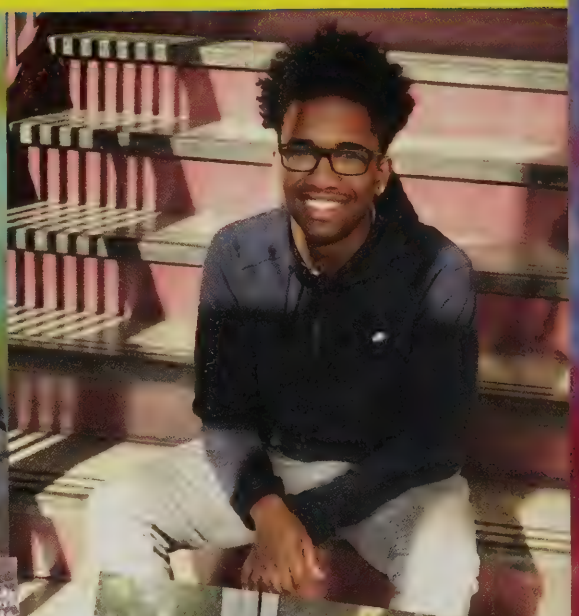
We grow up thinking high school is like the Disney movies. There are small cliques that are uniquely different yet we still know of each other. We are now trying to figure ourselves out. We make memories, we make mistakes. There were people here that I've never spoken to and probably never will. Then, there are the kids that I thought I would've never spoken to but some I gave my trust to and now they will be my lifelong friends.
"I never had any friends later on like the ones I had when I was 12, Jesus does anyone?"-Stand By Me (1986)

"What we call the beginning is often the end. And to make an end is to make a beginning. The end is where we start from."

~T.S. Eliot

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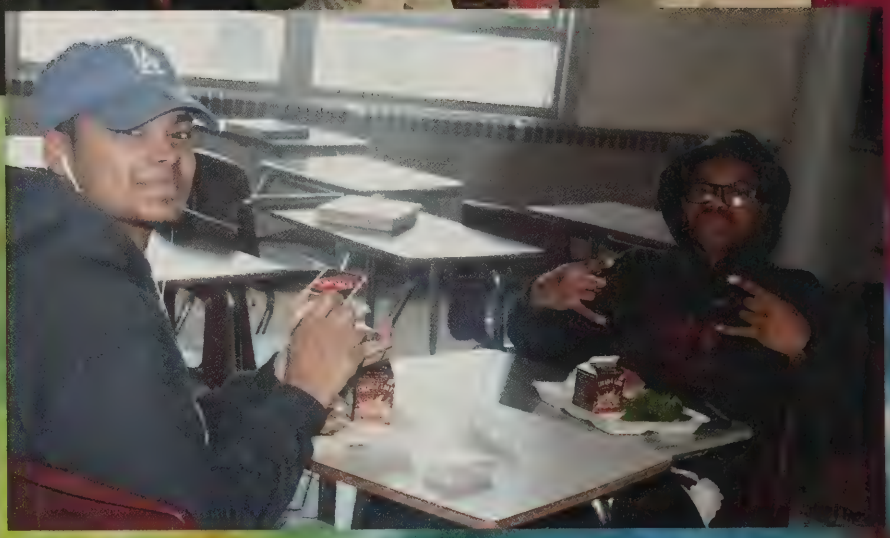





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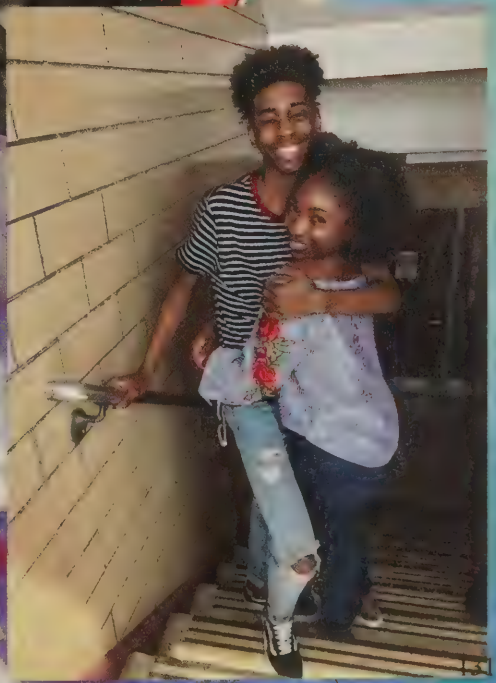








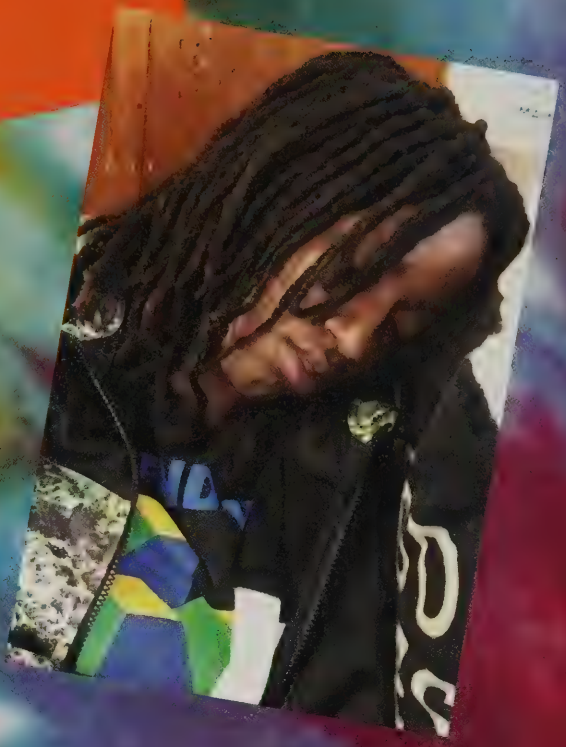




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Enaysia Green

Blessings & Encouragement From Family and Friends



"For I know the PLANS
I have for YOU"
declares the LORD
"plans to PROSPER you
and not to harm you,
plans to give you
HOPE and a
FUTURE."
Jeremiah 29:11

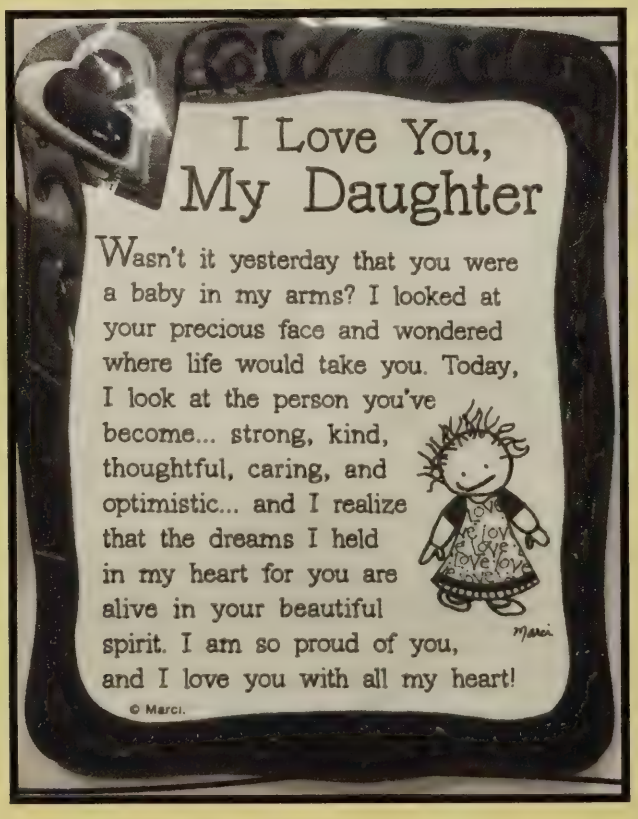


Worry about nothing but pray
about EVERYTHING.
"WE LOVE YOU ENAYSIA."
Rev. Bobby & Sheila Manley
Mommy
Evetta
Elijah
Eniyyah











Congratulations
Enaysia Green

From...

1. Evetta
2. Shakeya (Mommy) Holden
3. Money Capers
4. Marcellus Capers
5. Sadiqa Gaines Parker
6. Rumba Nutter
7. Ayanna Shade
8. Cynthia Skelton
9. Ziera Shade
10. Lisa E. Harris
11. Jeff Pribush
12. Marilyn Canal
13. Dorice Omangi
14. Sandy Callahan
15. Lourdes Rodriguez
16. Marquan Schwerdt



Congratulations
Nefertiti Cooper

From...

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